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CUBA'S DESOLATION.

It is humiliating to contemplate the condition of Cuba and to reflect how happy and peaceful that fair land would be to day except for the outrageous act of Mr. Cleveland in bottling up the resolutions of Congress recognizing Cuban belligerency. It has been charged that there was some dark connection of the Cleveland administration with the settlement of the Mora claims; and we have lately had an illustration here in North Carolina of the old Cleveland and Carlisle influence in the Cisneros matter. Be these things as they may, it is heartrending to read the reports that come from the erstwhile "Gem of the Antilles."

Says a telegram from Matanzas:

The half of the story of suffering in Cuba has not been told. In Havana and its suburbs the streets are dotted with beggars, the hospitals are overflowing with starving innocents and the spare barracks are filled with the destitute and dying. But from Havana to this place there is a succession of small cities almost free from sickness and hunger. Nobody is left there. Protecting forts overlook empty houses. Pallid, ragged Spanish soldiers guard a few—very few—human skeletons. Very soon they will have only themselves to protect. They need it. It is almost a question whether Weylerism has not been as awful for them as it has been for the peaceable Cubans.

The towns of Campo Florida, San Miguel, Minas, Jauco, Bainoa, Aguacate, Mocha, and Buenavista trebled and quadrupled in population by Weyler's concentration of the surrounding country people under the rifles of their respective sets of little forts.

The loyal, obedient farmers took their furniture and their babies in ox carts, their cows and pigs, wives and children on foot, and built long streets of palmpillared, raftered, thatched one sided houses. To day nothing remains but the wood. The animals have been eaten; all articles of value have been changed into bread and the people are dead.

The True Policy.

A prominent Democrat who has been highly honored by the party, writes:

There is not the least doubt, that the cry of a "straight fight," by the Charlotte Observer and those who sympathize with its utterances, means a practical abandonment of the Chicago platform, and making the next campaign upon State issues only.

It means, furthermore, that unless the gold standard element of the Democratic party can control and dictate the party policy and platform, they would *prefer* to act independently of the party organization, as they did when they supported the Palmer and Buckner or assistant Republican ticket.

It means, adopting their leader, Mr. Clevelands' ideas, "party organization" is a good thing, if we frame the platform and dictate the party policy, but "party organization" otherwise is a very dangerous affair.

What hope is there of Democratic success, if we pursue the course they outline?

None whatever. But if we make the fight both upon the Chicago platform and upon State issues, that is the "straight fight," and there is much to gain and nothing to lose.

We will draw men to us; I do not believe we will drive any away, except those who voted for McKinley in 1896.

It is impossible to disassociate the National issues from State issues, and in North Carolina since the great Vance and Settle campaign, they have been inseparable. To adopt a policy of nominating men who stand on the Chicago platform and abandoning any affirmance of the platform is a half way and unsatisfactory measure to the people at large.

As to the Chicago platform, I believe it is growing in favor every day with the people of the whole country. The issues of 1896 are practically unchanged, and to abandon the Chicago platform, at this juncture in North Carolina, would be suicidal party policy. Stand by it and make the fight upon it and also upon State issues and Democracy must finally win, as it is doing in the late elections.

The Next Campaign.

Washington Gazette.]

A gentleman has vouchsafed to us the following important information: The Statesman (?) of Old Ford was in town this week and named the candidates in the next campaign who will bear the banner of white supremacy aloft to victory. For the benefit of said Statesman (?) we propose to give an outline of the next campaign. The next Democratic convention will endore in its entirety the Chicago platform of 1896. It will adopt a platform on State issues that will satisfy every white man in North Carolina who voted the Democratic ticket in any election the past five years and honestly wishes a return to decent government. It will ratify the nominations for Superior Court Judges made by the conventions of the several districts in which terms of the judges expire and these will be the only candidates nominated and voted for in the State at large. There will be nothing about fusion in the platform. It will include a strong and direct appeal to the white manhood of North Carolina and a cordial invitation to those who have strayed from the fold to come back to the grand old Democratic party and join hands with it in a supreme effort to rescue our State from misrule and corruption. This is the outlook, but no Pritchard bolting Populist need apply. Fooled us once, might try the same racket again.

In the Educational Number of The Outlook Professor David P. Todd contributes an account of the Amherst Expedition to Japan to view the latest solar eclipse, and also explains in a really fascinating way, aided by pictures, the ingenious methods which science has lately adopted for this kind of astronomical work. This issue of The Outlook has seven richly illustrated articles, besides a charming short story, poems, other contributed articles, and the usual full news editorials and review departments. [$3 a year. The Outlook Company, 13 Astor Place, New York.]

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KILPATRICK'S ESCAPE AT LONGSTREET.

Gen. M. C. Butler.)

Our cavalry consisted of Wheeler's and my own division, under the command of Gen. Wade Hamption. On the 10th of March our column, on the march, was in about one day's march of Fayetteville, N. C, My old brigade, at the time commanded by Gen. E. M. Law, of this State, was in front. Young's brigade, commanded by Col. J. D. Wright, next, with Wheeler following.

Humphrey's squadron, of the 6th South Carolina cavalry, Law's brigade, constituted the advance guard. By the rule usually observed on such occasions, Young's (Wright's) brigade would have taken the lead the next day. You are no doubt aware that while marching in the proximity of the enemy, advance and rear guards are thrown out well to the front and rear, with active vigilant scouts and videttes operating on the flanks, front and rear. It fell in torrents the whole day of the 10th of March. Sherman's army was to the south and east of our line of March, Kilpatrick's cavalry covering his left flank. About nightfall Humphreys halted his squadron at the intersection of a road leading from the south.

On inquiring of Capt. Humphreys the cause of his halt, he informed me that the road he had intersected had recently been travelled by a heavy column of mounted troops. On examination I found this to be true, and concluded we had run into Kilpatrick's track. While we were discussing the situation I discovered a detachment of cavalry following in the rear of Kilpatrick's march, and rode out into the forks of the road about forty yards and halted with the usual challenge, "Who comes there?" It was then getting too dark to distinguish between friend and foe. The answer came, "5th Kentucky." Knowing this to be one of Kilpatrick's regiments, I directed the commander of the detachment, who turned out to be a lieutenant, to ride up, as I wanted to talk to him. Evidently not knowing who we were, he advanced with his orderly and when I had led him into the ranks of Humphrey's squadron it was the work of a few moments to disarm and place him in arrest.

This done, I whispered to Humphreys to send out a squad and take in the detachment of the 5th Kentucky. He promptly surrounded them and made them prisoners, twenty-eight in number, without firing a gun.

You will pardon what appears to be minor, unimportant details, but they have an important bearing upon what followed.

As soon as Gen. Hampton had been apprised of the facts, after consultation between himself, Gen. Wheeler and myself, it was decided to attack Kilpatrick the next morning at daylight. In order to do so more advantageously, the whole column moved forward from where we captured the detachment, in columns of fours, cautiously and quietly, about four miles, where we halted and dismounted on the roadside without unsaddling and without fires. The night was dark with a cold drizzling rain. I can never forget that night as we lay without shelter or food for man or horses, each man with the bridles on his arm.

I threw out some distance in our front, on each side of the road, a line of dismounted skirmishers. They had scarcely deployed when one of Kilpatrick's lieutenants walked or road into the line. He was brought to my headquarters, a pine log on the side of the road, and on being interrogated as to why he was there at that time of the night, he replied that he had been sent back to look for a broken down wagon, and had walked unawares into our picket lines. He was not inclined to be communicative, but I learned enough to enable me to locate Kilpatrick's camp pretty accurately. On the strength of this information we reconnoitered his camp about midnight, riding up almost to his camp fires. Not a picket was posted, nor other precaution taken as far as we could discover, to protect his camp against surprise. My conclusion at the time was, (which was confirmed by Gen. Kilpatrick in a conversation I had with him since the war), that the detachment of the 5th Kentucky was expected to perform that duty, and instead they had been made prisoners of war without firing a shot and without his knowledge. So you see the important bearing of their capture. Kilpatrick had moved around the head of the swamp behind him, and the order of the attack was arranged as follows:

My division, Wright's brigade now being in front, was to be closed up in a column of regiments before daylight, so as to enable Wheeler, stretched back the full length of his division in columns of fours, to close up. I was to follow up the line of march taken up by Kilpatrick, move around the head of the swamp, and enter his camp from the left. Wheeler was to turn to the right from about the point where the head of my column was located, and move to the right through the open pine woods and come from the rear, as nearly simultaneously with my attack as possible. Accordingly, when I learned that Wheeler had turned off to the right I moved forward up the road.

Meanwhile I directed Col. Wright to select a squadron, whose commander he could vouch for, and order him to report for instruction. My recollection is that he selected Capt. Bostick, of the Cobb Legion (and if I am in error about this I trust that some survivor of that splendid, gallant regiment will correct me.)

My instructions were that the leading squadron should rush into the camp, surround the house where Kilpatrick made his headquarters and remain there, is possible, until we could occupy the camp, and make Kilpatrick a prisoner. I further instructed Col. Wright to follow up the leading squadron by throwing a regiment at a time into the camp; that I would have McLaw's brigade so posted as to go to the rescue at the proper time.

Wright moved promptly, followed by Law in a trot; just before the dawn of day he charged pell-mell into the camp, and as I turned the head of the swamp at the head of Law's brigade we were greeted with a scene of the wildest confusion. A squad of about 130 Confederates came rushing frantically towards us, and at first we supposed or feared that Wright had been repulsed, and yet could not understand how that could be, as his rear regiment had not left us more than two minutes. Our minds were soon relieved on that score, as the Confederates turned out to be prisoners who tore away from their guards when Wright rushed in, and were making good their escape. The poor fellows reported they were half starved on the the march with Kilpatrick, and naturally rejoiced at their deliverance. Our men aroused the sleeping Federals and captured 475.

At this point let me relate what Gen. Kilpatrick said of this event in a conversation with me after the war. I told him we had ridden up to the camp fires the night before, without being challenged by his picket or even a camp guard, and expressed surprise that he had not taken this natural precaution; that he paid a very poor compliment to our vigilance and enterprise, which I thought was scarcely justified by past experience. His explanation was that Col. Spencer, who was afterwards with me in the Senate from Alabama, commanded the rear brigade of his column, and that it was his duty to post the pickets and guards. Spencer on the other hand, denied this, and fixed the responsibility on Kilpatrick. Of course I could not settle that controversy and left it where I found it.

Gen. Kilpatrick further said he walked out about daylight that morning, as was his custom, to look after his horses. He heard our yell as we broke into his camp, and said to himself, "My God, here is a major general's commission, earned after four years' hard fighting, gone up in a sur prise; that about that time a man rushed up and said: 'Where is General Kilpatrick!' and that he replied! 'There he goes on that black horse,'" as one of his men was escaping thus: that he, Kilpatrick, mounted in dishabille and escaped. The Confederate who accosted him left him and pursued the man on the black horse, and thus by ruse "he saved his bacon."

I have never ascertained who this man was, but my theory is that in his anxiety to take Kilpatrick prisoner he was naturally misled and dropped the substance to pursue the shadow "on a black horse." Be that as it may, Wright's Brigade charged clear through the camp, and when I reached Kilpatrick's headquarters, in front of which were parked his artillery, wagons and ambulances, Wright had rushed through like a whirlwind. Anticipating that there would be more or less confusion after the first onset, I had left Law's Brigade near the entrance of the camp, to be ordered in to reap the fruits of Wright's charge. To my dismay and surprise I learned that Law had been ordered away from where I had left him, and there I was in the midst of a hostile camp, with no support but my staff and couriers. I had possession of Kilpatrick's headquarters and trains, awaiting Wheeler's and Law's arrival. Wright's command was, of course, scattered after his impetuous charge.

Gen. Wheeler joined me in a short time, and on my inquiring for his command, he replied that he had encountered an impassible bog, and had to send it around by the route I had taken. Meanwhile Kilpatrick's dismounted men numbering about 1,500 men, as we are informed, rallied somewhat from the panic, and opened a destructive fire from behind pine trees with their rapid fire carbines, and drove us out. I succeeded in rallying a part of the Cobb Legion, and with gallant Lieutenant Col. King at their head, charged Kilpatrick's men who had reached their artillery. We lost sixty-two men in five minutes, among the number the lamented Col. King, who fell gallantly leading almost a forlorn hope.

Kilpatrick reached Sherman's infantry in time to bring up a division to his rescue, and we had to withdraw. But for the untoward obstruction of an impassible swamp to Gen. Wheeler's march, which could not have been foreseen in the darkness of the night, and the removal of Law's Brigade, we should have reaped the full fruit of our successful surprise, and taken in Kilpatrick's entire camp, and possibly have made him prisoner. We moved on and camped that night within four miles of Fayetteville, N. C. In his official report Gen. Kilpatrick says he lost 130 prisoners. In this he is certainly mistaken. My provost guard had the next day 475 prisoners, all taken from his camp. I never learned whether Gen. Wheeler had any prisoners, and, therefore, cannot speak as to that, but have a very distinct recollection as to those in my charge.

Eccentric Travelers.

New York Times.

The number of people who set out on stilts, in wheelbarrows, or on foot, in order to do a journey round the world, is becoming greater every year, notes a writer in London Tit-Bits. Indeed, feats of this character have of late become quite the fashion. No end of journeys, both by men and women, have been chronicled, the travelers being usually bound down to certain conditions as to time and so on.

One of these enterprising individuals is a Teuton, and is now in London, having lately finished his walk round the world. The cost of the journey was defrayed entirely by himself out of the proceeds of lectures which he gave en route, and of the sale of his photographs. Altogether he earned and spent some $3,000 on his walk.

For a wager of $10,000, a couple of enthusiasts have undertaken to walk round the world in two years, but a San Francisco man, who is doing the same journey for a sum of $250,000, is limited to a year within which to perform his self-imposed task. A Russian who has started expects to take six years and a half to complete the journey.

An assistant chemist is going round the world on foot clad in newspapers, and is said to have earned between New York and Boston more than £200 by exhibiting himself in this strange guise.

One of the latest of these pedestrian feats was undertaken by a young Belgian, who journeyed on foot from Antwerp to Brussels, going backward the whole time. He was obliged to wear special shoes with a kind of heel underneath the toe, and it was stated that by this means he was enabled, after some practice, to progress as rapidly as by the ordinary mode of walking.

A young German wagered that he would travel in a packing case from Berlin to Paris and back, only leaving box for refreshments at Paris before starting on the return journey. This feat he actually accomplished, being dispatched one morning from Berlin in a properly ventilated case, and duly arriving in Paris, where he was taken out, given refreshments and repacked and sent back to Germany.

Some time ago a professional contortionist undertook for £10 to compress himself into a basket two feet seven inches long and one foot seven inches broad and high. In this manner he was to be dispatched as luggage from Leeds to Bradford. He got into the basket, taking with him a bottle of brandy and some oranges, and the receptacle was closed and sent off. On reaching Bradford, it was exhibited for a couple of hours prior to its being returned to Leeds.

Some workmen at Rome opened at the railway station a chest purporting to contain bottles, but found inside a German tailor, who claims to have traveled in this fashion over most of the European lines. He had spent six days in the box, and stated that he had performed the journey for the purpose of drawing attention to an apparatus he had invented for taking measures for suits of clothes.

An ingenious individual undertook to travel from Manchester to London mounted on a wooden globe, three feet in diameter and weighing eighty seven pounds, and he actually performed the feat, arriving at the metropolis with a huge body of people who had accompanied him on the last stage of his strange journey.

An American lady has started to go around the world on a bicycle. She has provided herself with but one dress and no money, and has undertaken to perform the journey within fifteen months, and during that time to earn £1.000.

A journalist is on a bicyling tour around the States in the course of which he is to travel, in 300 days, over 21,000 miles, crossing thirty-three States, and 220 counties, and visiting 2.984 cities, towns and villages. He has to pay his own expenses, but if successful will be rewarded with $2,000.

The latest device is going around the world with a wheelbarrow. A performance of this kind was recently accomplished by an American, who trundled a wheelbarrow 10,000 miles in 450 days. He was obliged to start from Cincinnati with only 4 cents in his possession, and he had to return within the time specified either with $3,000 in cash or a wife. He not only brought home the money, but a wife also.

Stop the "Pivotal" Talk

Atlanta Constitution.]

The Washington Post, referring to the Constitution's protest against Editor Pulitzer's evident purpose to revive the old delusion that New York and New Jersey are "pivotal states," and necessary to democrats even at the sacrifice of principle, says that "there is a very large doubt of the ability of the democratic party to carry New York and New Jersey for free coinage," and that "there is also much space for doubt of the ability of that party to elect a president without the vote of New York."

All this, of course, relates to the tactics of the party. The Post itself, which can be perfectly independent on both sides of a question when the opportunity offers, says that "honesty is the best policy." We can only judge the future by the past. What sort of good did it do the party to submit for thirty years to the "pivotal state" delusion, with the platform straddles and evasions which were necessary to the vitality of that delusion? What was the outcome of it?

Why, the party had one victory that counted for nothing, and another that would have been worse than half a century of defeats if the democratic voters had not wrenched their party from the hands of the wreckers and placed it once more on a declaration of democratic principles that has not one evasion in it from beginning to end. We have no reason to describe for the benefit of the Post what the results of Clevelandism would have been if the party leaders had insisted on holding it up as democratic. The party might possibly have polled a few more votes than the bolters did, but it would have gone to pieces.

But if we are to consider merely the policy of returning to the old practice of deception and evasion for the purpose of carrying the "pivotal states," let us look at all sides of it. Suppose that, by tampering with platform declarations, the party could squeeze through in New York and New Jersey, is it not morally certain that there would be a revolt in other states? Would not Kentucky, Virginia, North Carolina and other states be hopelessly lost? Could the party carry any southern state today on a platform that would be pleasing to the political agents of the money power? We are inclined to doubt it most capitally.

But it is unnecessary to go into any discussion on this subject. The democratic party has recommitted itself to its time-honored principles, and it is just as likely to adopt republican views as it is to take up and try to revive the corpse of the policy that is known as Clevelandism.

The people of this republic are democratic, and there have been very few occasions in the political history of the country when the voting masses have turned away from the genuine Democratic principles squarely and honestly presented. Until last year the contests between the two parties have been clouded by sectional prejudices. But the spirit of sectionalism has been laid on both sides, and henceforth the trial of strength will be between those who represent government by and for the people, and those who represent the trusts, syndicates and money monopolies.

And, in the end, the people will win.

Good Words for the Observer.

Dunn Union.]

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The Political Situation.

Extracts from letters from prominent Democrats to the editor of the OBSERVER.

Says one:

"The great work of re organizing the Democratic party and providing for its future in North Carolina must not be left to those gentlemen whose conspicuous and only fitness for the weighty task is the success of their treason to the party in defeating hearty co operation of all who accepted the Chicago platform in the last campaign, in State and county as well as on national issues. I have no doubt that these modest gentlemen will be in full force and voice, trying to convince themselves and seeking to convince others that deserters are entitled to command the army.

"I advocate disappointing this dream of future leadership at once and without mercy. Let these deserters and traitors discover at once that the 145,000 white men who compose the Democratic party in North Carolina have memories, common sense to think for themselves, and contempt for traitors. Let them know that when the next State convention meets it will be a convention of Democrats and as such will declare the politics of the party without reference to the orders or the wishes of those who brought about last year's defeat. The anxiety of these Ransom-Cleveland-McKinleyites to volunteer as commission officers of the party should get the 'marble heart.'"

Says another:

"I think the line should be clearly drawn against the men, who insist on calling themselves Democrats and are daily praising the bolter Cleveland, daily publishing gold literature, daily sinking the great question under a fire as to other matters.

"No word have they against the true makers of negro post masters, but all their abuse is for Butler, who did what they did not—cast a Bryan vote.

"I *hope* for the best in 1898. I *know* it will come in 1900."

Just Like our N. C. Fusionists.

Wilmington Star.]

"No compromise with dishonor, no surrender of principle to expediency, is the shibboleth of the National Democracy." That is what Wm. D. Bynum says in his address to his little band. Bynum is a paid advocate of the gold standard, and he thinks it will please those who hire him to attempt to place the brand of "dishonor" on the 6,500,000 Democrats who voted for Wm. J. Bryan. The poor idiot!"

Fusionists on their Last Legs.

We do not see the "Marion Democrat," but find the following quotation from it in the Wilmington Messenger:

"Much is being said now by the Democratic newspapers about the policy that ought to be pursued in the next campaign to redeem the State from the vandals. A majority, thank God, are whooping up a straight fight, while a few are tinctured with pusilanimity, and are urging fusion again."

That shows what a good thing the Bryan press has accomplished since the proposition for fusion first appeared, on August 13, in the fusion organ at Charlotte, as follows:

"*A distinguished veteran Democrat decle red to day that he was really willing to see now a fusion of Democrats and Republicans to literally wipe the Populists from the earth.*"

RED SPRINGS ITEMS.

RED SPRINGS, N. C., Nov. 27, 1897.

The entertainment and supper at Red Springs Hotel netted the Seminary nearly $60. The ladies deserve much credit for their efforts in behalf of this excellent institution. I hope every church in the Presbytery will do likewise.

Some of the young ladies went home Thursday, Thanksgiving day, as they had earned the holidays from Wednesday till Saturday by study and by giving up a trip to the fair.

President Vardell's parents from James Island, S. C., are at Seminary. Miss Fife, daughter of the noted evangelist, is the last student to enter Red Springs Seminary.

Mr. Will Fife, of Charlotte, is at Hotel Townsend this week. The Evangelist and family are expected soon.

A business man of New York City expects to bring his family here about Nov. 30.

In the office at Hotel Townsend is the head of a deer mounted by a skilled taxidermist. The proprietor, L. H. Lyon, killed it in the Adirondack Mountains, N. Y., last year, and sent a hind quarter to ex-President Harrison. P. E. Brogg is regularly employed to hunt game for the Hotel, train dogs to hunt, and act as guide to hunters.

Robeson Association, representing 41 churches and about 6,000 members in Robeson county, met Tuesday morning till Thursday evening with Red Springs Baptist church, of which Rev. J. D. Moore is the popular young pastor. Revs. J. E. White, Levy Johnson, J. A. Smith, J. J Scott and others spoke on missions, Rev. J. B. Boone spoke about the work of the Thomasville Baptist Orphanage, which has over 160 children, and a school building that cost $6,000.

J. C. Caddell, of the Biblical Recorder, President Hobgood, Oxford Female Seminary, and Profs. Duckett and Toon and their wives and about 100 delegates were present. Rev. B. W. Spillman delivered a fine address on Sunday schools. Fair Bluff was chosen as the next place of meeting in 1898.

The schools closed for Thanksgiving but the lumber mills, etc., did not.

Red Springs Lyceum will discuss the annexation of Hawaii Monday evening; Russell and McIver on the affirmative, Costen and McEachern on the negative.

Final Adjournment of Court.

The Superior Court convened Saturday at 10 o'clock, remained in session half an hour, during which time a number of judgments were signed, and then adjourned.

Judge McIver, shortly afterwards, left on the C. F. and Y. V. north bound train for his home in Carthage.

The case of Capps vs. Buie, which occupied almost the entire sitting of the court Friday, was decided in favor of the defendant by the jury. The plaintiff took an appeal to the Supreme Court.

School For Negro Children.

Mrs. Cochran is having a large school building erected adjoining the present school building in the colored Episcopal church lot on Ramsey street. The present day school building was found inadequate for the accommodation of the colored pupils. The building will be 56x30 and in the same style of architecture as the church.

Again Continued.

A great crowd of colored people came into town Saturday to hear the trial of Alex. Gilmore, but they were again disappointed, as a further continuance was taken, to enable the prosecution to produce Isham Wright, the confessed accomplice of Gilmore, who is unable to be moved from jail on account of his wounds. The trial has been set for December 20.

German.

It was a most enjoyable german at McKethan's Hall Friday night, led by Mr. W. G. Moore, and daneed to the delightful music of the Italian harpers. The following were among those who participated:

Miss Chandler McDaniel, with Mr. R. L. Williams; Miss Martha Williams, with Mr. S. H. MacRae; Miss Annie Wetmore, with Mr. Albert Slocomb; Miss Lillie Shepherd, with Mr. Paul Slocomb; Miss Kate Broadfoot, with Mr. W. H. Fendrich; Miss May Broadfoot, with Mr. Don Duffy; Miss Laura Kyle, with Mr. L. A. Williamson; Miss Kate Underwood, with Mr. A. B. Williams, Jr.; Miss Bert Watson, with Mr. W. G. Moore; Miss Liza Williams, with Mr. A. S. Wightman; Miss Maggie McNeill, with Mr. A. J. Cook; Miss Rebecca Haigh, with Mr. W. F. Leak; Miss Ellen Underwood, with Mr. Ruffin Horne; Miss Maud Haigh, with Mr. Herbert Thomson; Miss Kate Hawley, with Mr. Chas. Haigh, Jr.; Miss Fannie Williams, with Mr. Tom Moore; Miss Mabel Elliott, with Mr. Emmett Pemberton; Miss Bessie Underwood with Mr. James McNeill; Miss Alice Matthews with with Mr. Ambrose Williams. Stags—Messrs. Hector Mc Geachy, G. B. Underwood, Jno. Gorham, Jno. Ledbetter, Roy McDuffie and G. A. Galloway.

Marriage of Mr. Robt. Troy.

The Atlanta Constitution of Thursday has a long and glowing account of the marriage of our former young townsman, Mr. Robt. Hunter Troy. Among other things it says:

Last night, in a veritable bower of white chrysanthemums, emerging from the luxurious foliage of palms, was performed the marriage ceremony of Miss Mary Lee Leonard and Mr. Robt. Hunter Troy of Memphis, Tenn.

The quiet dignity and happiness that one always associates with a home wedding distinguished this one, and the guests assembled were deeply impressed by the beauty of the scene as the pretty young bride, surrounded by her white-robed bridesmaids, pronounced the wedding vows. * * *

In the dining room, where an elegant luncheon was served, there were beautiful decorations of white chrysanthemums and white roses. Instead of the cutting of the bride's cake for the ring, the little gold circlet was hidden in a heart of flowers suspended from the chandelier. The attendants with bow and enameled arrows, which they received as souvenirs, shot at the heart, the young woman securing the ring congratulated as the forthcoming bride.

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CUBAN AFFAIRS.

A Revolting Proposition.

With the approach of the time for the re-assembling of Congress, the subject of the relations between the United States and Spain becomes acute again. Except for Mr. Cleveland's bottling up of the resolutions of Congress, two years ago, recognizing the belligerent rights of Cuba, it is probable, as good judges have declared, that that now desolated Island would be free from the Spanish heel. Whether the present administration is any more favorable to Cuba than its Republicanized predecessor remains to be seen, but that the strong sentiment of the people is destined to find expression as soon as Congress meets is certain. A press dispatch from New York of Saturday records the following:

"Dispatches to the World from many leading members of the United States Senate indicate stormy times over Cuba as soon as the Senate meets, a week from to-morrow. Nearly a score of senators are reputed to have already written resolutions favoring either intervention by the United States or immediate recognition of the Cuban belligerency."

Another New York telegram says:

"Tomas Estrada Palma, the Cuban delegate in this city, speaking to-day of the terms of the autonomy decrees, said: 'These preparations were scorned in advance of their presentation. They can receive no consideration now. With Cuba it is as it has been since the war began, and will be until it ends—independence or death.' "

Concerning the new captain general sent to carry out the new programme, the Wilmington Messenger says:

"Blanco is playing false. He baited his hook with a promise of freedom, but it was only to cover his designs. He tried to seduce General Rivera and Colonel Bocallo with a bribe to turn traitors, but they scorned the offer. They were again thrown into prison."

All these things are calculated to hold up the hands of the patriots and their sympathizers; but, that powerful efforts in behalf of Spain will be made in Congress, and that the friends of that vile despotism, especially the Cleveland contingent, will hesitate at nothing, no matter how infamous, in order to exhibit their sympathy, is demonstrated by their course in the Cisneros matter.

THE CISNEROS CASE.

It will be useful to recall this villainous episode in order to put the people on their guard against efforts of the same nature, sure to be made, to pervert their judgment.

On the 21st of August, the Atlanta Constitution contained the following editorial:

"Since the outbreak of the Cuban war the civilized world has been startled more than once by the perpetration of Spanish outrages on the island, but the history of the brutal struggle which is now going on in Cuba has failed to disclose anything more revolting than the savage indignities recently heaped upon the niece of President Cisneros. As gathered from the meager telegraphic accounts which have come from the island, the story is briefly this: Some five or six months ago the the young girl's father was made a prisoner by the Spaniards and sent to a penal colony on the Isle of Pines for safe confinement. Out of devotion to her father the courageous girl insisted on accompanying him to the penal colony, but hardly had she been there more than a few days before her rare beauty aroused the brutal instincts of the Spanish officers on the island, who made improper advances toward her. With virtuous indignation she repelled these advances and violence would perhaps have ensued had not the colony risen up in protest against the threatened outrage. Seizing upon this disturbance as a pretext for gratifying his malicious spite, the governor of the island brought charges against the young girl, alleging that she had incited the colony to arms. On this outrageous indictment she was brought to trial, convicted without a fair hearing and thrust into one of the vilest dungeons in the city of Havana, where she has been compelled to associate on terms of equality with the most depraved of her sex. Information received from Havana within the past few days states that the young girl has been sentenced to twenty years of exile and imprisonment in Africa, and that she will shortly be deported. Naturally, the indignation of civilized people everywhere is aroused over the brutal treatment which this innocent girl has received at the hands of the Spanish authorities in Cuba. Several influential American women, including Mrs. Julia Ward Howe, Mrs. Jefferson Davis and others, have ventured to interfere in her behalf, but it remains to be seen whether or not their efforts will bear fruit. *This last evidence of Spanish brutality is without precedent or parallel in the annals of savagery.*"

The New York Journal's correspondent, Marion Kendrick, writing under date of August 17, said:

"There seems to be little doubt that Evangeline Cisneros, the beautiful young relative of the President of the Cuban Republic, will be sent to Ceuta to die among the degraded criminals of that most horrible penal settlement in the world. The military court's sentence of twenty years' imprisonment for the innocent girl chills the blood of all but the most furious partisan of the Spanish military policy. Every effort has been made to induce Weyler not to confirm the sentence, but the Captain-General seems to be without pity. He wants to strike at the President of the Cuban republic in the person of Miss Cisneros. It is said that the prisoner, who is a girl of sensational beauty and great refinement, has at times been clothed almost in rags, while she was compelled to associate month after month with the unspeakably vile women herded in the same prison. Her father is a prisoner in the Isle of Pines. It is hoped here that an American protest will be sent to the Queen Regent. Nothing more frightful can be imagined than the fate to which this high born, lovely girl has been condemned. Her sole offence is that she is a friend of free Cuba."

The Journal of the 18th of August contained a long account of interviews with two Cuban ladies, Senora Sanchez and Senorita Aguilar, who had been rescued from the prison in which Miss Cisneros was incarcerated, and who gave accounts of their experience there. Said the Journal:

"These two ladies were companions of the beautiful young Cuban girl in the wretched prison that is reserved in Havana in times of peace for its most degraded women and that is now being used for the humiliation of Cuban women of refinement who for any reason whatever may incur the displeasure of Weyler. They were attracted to Miss Cisneros while there by her youth, innocence and refinement and soon learned to love her. They said yesterday that they could conceive of no fate more horrible for her than imprisonment at Ceuta, exposed as she will be in Spain's African penal settlement to treatment against which she will have absolutely no protection."

After describing the awful scenes and surroundings to which Cuban ladies were subjected in the Havana prison for harlots, Miss Aguilar said:

"These are the condtions to which Evangelina, young, beautiful and pure, has been subjected to all these months. Even were she guilty of rebellion she could not have merited what she has already had to undergo. And now they would send her to Ceuta! Has not the Casa de Recojidas been hell enough for her to satisfy even the cruel Spaniards!"

A REVOLTING PROPOSITION.

A few weeks after the dates above mentioned, the world was ringing with praise of the New York Journal and brave Karl Decker, who had rescued the beautiful Cuban girl from her awful fate. In an editorial recounting this brilliant feat, the Atlanta Constitution added:

"But Carlisle marred the melody of the joyful refrain. Carlisle, who was once a Southerner; Carlisle, who was

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once a democrat, but who, since the time of his betrayal of the government when he entered into the infamous midnight bond deals to put additional burdens on the shoulders of the people, has been better known as Carlisle, the renegade—this same Carlisle thinks that the rescue of Miss Cisneros 'by the representatives of the Journal takes on a graver aspect than the majority of people will imagine.' He sees international complications ahead, and adds: 'Should Spain see fit to demand from this country the return of her prisoner of war, liberated without authority by an American citizen, we must, in honor, comply with such demand.' * * * This is not the first time that this same John G. Carlisle has caused the South to blush for his being credited to it, but in this instance there is consolation in the fact that his opinion is repudiated, north, east and west, as well as by the south. Possibly Mr. Carlisle has been engaged as special attorney for Spain."

Evidently, the friends of Cuba cannot afford to slumber.

The Plight of the West Indies.

From "The Progress of the World," in American Monthly Review of Reviews for December.

The future of the West Indies must henceforth be observed by the United States with an ever-increasing degree of curiosity and concern. Nature has been prodigiously bountiful in the endowment of these islands, and they have at times contributed a great deal to the wealth of Europe. But their industrial development has been slight and superficial, and they have been subject to the sharpest reactions. At present their fortunes are at an extremely low ebb. Even if Cuba should be kept by Spain, there is no prospect that it will yield further streams of wealth to Spanish coffers. Its tobacco and some other crops may become measurably profitable again in the early future; but the great sugar crop, once the source of immense wealth, is probably a thing of the past—at least as a revenue-producing factor. American capital and ingenuity might do something for Cuba, in spite of the permanent victory that beet sugar seems to have won over cane sugar; but Spain can never bring back smiling prosperity to the Gem of the Antilles. As for the great British island of Jamacia, its industrial decline, owing chiefly to the changed economic position of cane sugar, has of late proceeded very rapidly. A royal commission on the serious industrial crisis in the British West Indies has lately reported in the most gloomy and discouraging vein. The great island of Hayti San Domingo, divided between two retrograde and farcical republics, is fabulously rich in soil and in possibilities of development, but is little above Central Africa in actual advancement. As compared with the West Indies, moreover, the march of improvement all over the continent of Africa is in this decade at a many times greater rate. If any influence and energy can ever be effectively applied to lift the West Indies out of the political, social, and industrial quagmire into which they have sunk such rescue must come from the United States.

Two Important Truths.

Louisburg Times.

The action of the $Mark Hanna administration in carrying out the *corrupt and infamous deal of its predecessor*, for the steal of the Union Pacific railroad, against the universal protest of the whole country, is the crowning evidence that the government as at present administered is deaf to every instinct of right and justice, and is under the absolute control of the enemies of the people.

The Times has no harsh criticisms for the mass of voters who were misled by the leaders and pie-hunters of the "confusionists," and it will be glad to see them join with their former friend, the Democratic party, to redeem old North Carolina and restore its government in the hands of men who have the interests of our grand old State at heart, The State is almost bankrupt already and if the crowd of "pie-hunters" now in power allowed to remain in charge, or if we have another Legislature like the last two, we had just as well "hang up the fiddle and the bow."

If you feel weak, dull and discouraged you will find a bottle of Hood's Sarsaparilla will do you wonderful good.

Where the Trouble Was.

Atlanta Constitution.]

The Constitution has recently received a very interesting letter from the editor of a southern gold democratic newspaper, who has decided to drop all opposition to his party, and to place himself in line with the regular organization. One paragraph in that letter is of public interest in that it embodies the feelings that animate a great many gold democrats who have been making war on their party, but who now, since the collapse of the "national democracy," so-called, are preparing to act with the regular organization. Our friend says:

"My views on silver have not changed, but I have been willing to leave it to time. With each passing year I have a growing distrust of the principles and the practices of the republican party. The trouble with our party is its incapacity in office. In opposition, it is magnificent, but manly men should not be content with agitation. Let them strive to build up as well as to tear down. I want to see the democratic party 'do something' and do something well and do it in a way that strengthens popular confidence."

It is hardly necessary to say that the writer of the foregoing was an ardent Cleveland man, and yet all he says with respect to incapacity in office refers to the dreadful results of Mr. Cleveland's second term. It makes no difference whether these results were due to incapacity in office or to a deliberate conspiracy to wreck the party; the effect was the same. If Mr. Cleveland could have won over to his views and plans the real leaders of the democracy, the democratic party would have ceased to exist as a party.

Now we are not abusing or pursuing Mr. Cleveland. On the contrary we think it will be admitted hereafter by the impartial historian that he did the democratic party a great service by driving it to a point where it was compelled to divorce itself from the tricksters and jugglers of the east, and return to the principles of Jeffersonian democracy.

All this, however, was unintentional. The policy of those who were responsible for the Cleveland administration was to kick down the ladder by which they rose, and it was not their fault that the party was immeasurably stronger in defeat in 1896 than it was when Mr. Cleveland was elected four years before. At the very beginning of his second term Mr. Cleveland unfolded his plans to divide and dismember the party that had honored him. There is not an important pledge of the platform that he did not repudiate.

It was supposed that he would be eager to carry out the tariff reform pledge. But in the very beginning he announced that the declarations of a platform bore no relations to the practical workings of an administration. It was believed that he would insist on a tariff for revenue only. But the tariff that he did insist on was for a deficit, and deliberately prepared to produce that result, and tacked to the tail of it was a free list, every line of which concealed a job.

The party has had but one man in office as president since the war, and all the damage that one man could do, he did, or tried to do. But the real leaders of the party refused to follow him, and his course brought them to the necessity of reaffiming democratic principles with an emphasis that had no parallel in forty years; and so it happened that the party which Mr. Cleveland thought he had destroyed was stronger in the defeat of 1896 than it was in the Cleveland victory of 1892. It was as if the hand of providence had been interposed to preserve the party of the people, and with it their liberties and interests.

Nevertheless, we want no more experiments with such men as Cleveland. They do very well to adorn private life, or to deliver ponderous addresses on various subjects that have been exhausted; but in public life we need men who are sensitive to the rights and interests of the common people, and who believe with Jefferson that these same common people are capable of settling every question pertaining to their government.

Independence in Journalism.

Editor Henry Watterson is inclined to take offense at some remarks made by the Washington Post with respect to the ludicrous exhibition made by the billbynum "nationals" since the organization of that illustrious remnant of Clevelandism.

We advise Editor Watterson not to take the Post too seriously. That paper is strictly independent, and a strictly independent paper must, in the nature of things, strike a humorous note occassionally. For our part, we did not gloat over the Post's attack at the billbynum party because we knew that it was a prelude to a counter-attack on the democratic party sooner or later.

The truth is, a strictly independent paper, if it does not become an innocuous mugwump, is bound to do something every day in the name of independence. Thus an independent editor can never be idle; he can never take a day off; he cannot attend a barbecue or a football game; he cannot go to the circus. It is no light position to hold. He must earn his bread by the sweat of his brow. If he pays a tribute to a party today, he must either abuse it tomorrow or praise the opposition. There is no middle ground for an independent editor. He must either sympathize with all parties, or he must abuse them all, and in order to do this to perfection, he must get up early in the morning and go to bed very late at night.

We have seen in one column of the Post a tribute to Mr. Bryan, and, in the adjoining column, an attack on him. We have seen in its columns arguments for the single gold standard, for the single silver standard and for bimetallism, all of them vigorously and earnestly delivered.

Such a paper is a treasure to a man who likes to get all sides of a question in the same bundle.

A GREAT VICTORY FOR BRYANISM.

The action of the Democratic State committee, Tuesday night, in re-affirming the Chicago platform, declaring Bryan to be the leader of the party, and, in several important particulars, "making it easy for the Populists to return to the party," is a great victory for Democracy as well as for the OBSERVER and its allies.

A committee consisting of Chairman Manly and Messrs. Winston, Ashe, Webster, Kluttz and Hale was appointed to report an address to the public. We regret that we are unable to give the text of this in this week's issue, as it has come to hand just before our going to press.

It looks now as if white re-union and consequent victory were in the air.

No Other Honest Course.

A prominent North Carolina Democrat, now temporarily sojourning in a distant city, writes to the editor of the OBSERVER as follows:

"I enjoy your editorials, for I am in full sympathy with you in your hard struggle to keep the Democracy in the truely straight road, and am glad to see that you are endorsed by some of the best men in the State, those who are true to the Chicago platform. No man who does not endorse that has any right to call himself a Democrat, and I cannot see, if they are honest men, how they can wish to thrust themselves into the primaries or the conventions of the Democratic party. The Clevelandites and Ransomites have made their own bed, let them lie in it. By their own free will they have turned their backs on the platform of the party and from henceforth they should be made to feel that there is no other name but *deserters* to be applied to them. I hope you will see daily proof of your honest course and I believe that you are obliged to come out on top—you have fought the fight almost single handed, but keeping the faith as laid down in the Democratic platform you must either win or the Democracy in North Carolina will be false to the party. I am sure you have or will have the endorsement of every loyal Democrat. Victory must be yours.

"Pardon me for writing so much, but I have watched your fight with a great deal of interest and have sided with you, as all good Democrats should."

Washington Letter.

From Our Regular Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29th, 1897.

"Walk into my parlor," says the spider to the fly; "walk into my national bank scheme," says the administration to the Southern democrats. As fast as the Southern democrats arrive in Washington, they are button-holed by agents of the administration, who try to convince them what a boon it would be for that section and for portions of the West, where banking facilities are deficient, if national banks could be established in small towns with a capital of $25,000, were allowed to issue currency to the par value of bonds deposited with the government, and the tax on that currency was made merely nominal. After talking up the advantage of a plentiful supply of currency at home, to meet the home demand, they try to get the Southern democrats to pledge themselves to vote for a bill embodying these amendments to the national banking laws. It is a shrewd game, and the arguments are plausible when used to men who know how their constituents are at times inconvenienced by the lack of sufficient currency to meet their needs, and it is not surprising that some Democratic support for the idea has been secured. The administration hopes to get enough Democratic Senators to put this scheme through the Senate, in connection with other financial legislation, about which care is taken to say nothing at this time, or if that is not feasible, to put through a bill with no other feature. Anything that will strengthen the national banking system will strengthen the gold standard policy.

Secretary Long's annual report contains several sentences that must have escaped Mr. McKinley's blue pencil by accident. For instance, he speaks of "possible annexation of islands in the Pacific," as though he entertained doubts about the annexation of Hawaii, and he acknowledges his fear of that growing treasury deficit by saying that in expenditures for the navy "a due regard is neecssary to the relation of the national expenditures to the national revenues." It is very difficult to reconcile the decidedly peaceable tone of the secretary's official talk about only small additions to the navy being provided for by this Congress, and of his intention to take war ships out of commission in order to save running expenses, with the action just taken by his department in placing a large contract, the largest made since the war, for ammunition and guns.

Several hundred employes of the Treasury Department find it impossible to prepare for Christmas in the proper joyous spirit, owing to the fear that the ax will in the meantime fall upon their official necks. The civil service law provides that each state and territory shall have a proportionate quota of the employes of the government. Secretary Gage has just had a list prepared showing the residences of the employes of his Department, and has announced his intention to weed out the "barnacles." This has been interpreted by the employes to mean that dismissals are to be made among the residents of those states having more than their share in order to give the places to residents of states which have less than their share. Should this be true, many persons residing, or claiming a residence, in nearby states will have to go, as the nearby states all have more than their share, but the heaviest blow would fall upon residents of the Districts of Columbia, which is legally entitled to only nine clerks in the Treasury Department, but which has more than three hundred. There have been several scares of this sort before, but it isn't the sort of thing that the poor devils who have been in government employ so long that they have forgot how, if they ever knew to make a living outside, can get used to it. The odd thing about it, if carried out, would be that it would catch many more republicans than democrats, but not a few of them are political hermaphrodites, making it their business to always appear to belong to the party on top, without actually belonging to either.

Representative Hartman, of Montana, takes issue with the republicans who are trying so hard to create the impression that the silver question is dead. He says it is the livest issue now before the people, owing to the absolute failure of the Wolcott Commission; that last year thousands of republicans vot ed for McKinley, believing that he would do something for silver, and now they know that he will not. Mr. Hartman makes this prediction for 1900: "There will be 2,500,000 free silver republican votes, 1,500,000 populist votes and 4,500,000 democratic votes for the nominee who stands for the identical principles that Mr. Bryan stootd for last year."

Representative Livingston, of Georgia, who is one of the best friends Cuba has in Congress, doesn't think the outlook good for legislation favorable to Cuba. He thinks there will be a lot of talk but no action.

A Point Well Taken.

Jacksonville Times.]

A vast amount of good democratic seed has been sown during the last six months, but the crop will amount to but very little unless the State and county executive committees do some judicious cultivating.

Could Speak English.

Jewish Messenger.

Major Alfred Mordecai once had an interview with the czar of Russia, of a somewhat informal and conversational nature, in the course of which he used the address "Monsieur" in speaking to the emperor, having carried the interview forward, so far, in French. Turning to General McClellan, who stood near by, Major Mordecai suddenly exclaimed with a mighty deep Carolinian oath. "Ha! I called the fellow 'mister.'" The czar thereupon smiled, bowed and said with a civility that entered the major's bones like ice: "I speak English quite well enough, sir, to continue our interview in that language, if you prefer it!"

The "International" Humbug.

Alamance Gleaner.]

The goldites in this country are no doubt pleased. England does not favor the silver idea advanced by McKinley's monetary commission. Doubtless the administration is also slyly smiling. Yes; let's wait for other countries to tell us what to do and sweat it out as best we can till they give their consent.

Before and After.

Hickory Times.]

The gold men thought that the country had permanently accepted the single standard; but the frosts of November checked the yellow fever.

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LUMBER BRIDGE LOCALS.

Mrs. Addie Hall spent a pleasant day in Fayetteville last Saturday.

Mrs. Margaret McKinnon of Maxton, Mrs. Lytch and her daughter, Miss Ellen, of Laurel Hill, came up Thanksgiving to attend the family reunion at Mr. John H. McEachern's.

Mr. Wm. Marsh and Mr. A. A. Mc Queen of Gray's Creek, attended services here last Sunday.

Misses Annie Moore and Floss Murphy of Red Springs Seminary, spent Thanksgiving with Miss Maggie Gainey.

Mr. Alex. Council of Bladen, spent Sunday with us. We congratulated him in advance and hope the 29th will be a pretty day.

Mr. J. A. Currie spent the 25th in Raleigh.

RAEFORD NOTES.

Rev. F. P. Ramsay has returned from a visit so his home in Baltimore.

Misses Gibson and McFayden, teachers of Red Springs Seminary, and Miss Mary McLauchlin, a pupil of that Institution, spent Thanksgiving in our neighborhood.

The girls who remained on the grounds at Raeford Institute gave Prof. Currie and the boys a Thanksgiving dinner Thursday. To say that they enjoyed it hugely is a very mild way of expressing it. They are loud in their praises of it and say they wish every day was Thanksgiving.

Miss Vista Dudley, the art teacher of Raeford Institute, spent Thanksgiving at her home in Bennettsville, S. C.

Mr. Fulton Dew of Vollers, is very sick with pneumonia.

Mr. —— Bryant was here last week visiting his son, Mr. J. F. Bryant, who is attending school at the Institute.

Rev. R. A. Moore of Red Springs, preached at Raeford Institute Sunday night week.

Items from adjoining communities of Bladen and Cumberland Counties.

ST. PAUL'S, N. C., Nov. 29.

Miss Nettie Fisher of the St. Paul's community is visiting her sister, Mrs A. B. Williamson, of the Edonia section of Cumberland county.

Rev. E. W. Oakes began a series of meetings at St. Paul's, Robeson county, Wednesday night, November 24th, which will continue until Sunday, Dec. 5th. The morning services of this week will be devoted to the subject of the tabernacle and its furniture, illustrated with oil paintings.

Among the visitors to the Oakes meeting last Sunday were Mr. A. L. Shaw of Lumber Bridge, Mr. Neill Mc. Neill and wife of Parkton, also Mrs. Ann McGeachy of Fayetteville.

Mr. N. M. McDonald of this community is teaching school at Roslin, a district school house in Cumberland county, near here.

Died, at his home in St. Paul's, N. C., Dunk Holder, the 11 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Holder, Friday morning, Nov. 26th, at 2 o'clock. Pneumonia was supposed to be the cause. We extend to the bereaved ones our tender sympathies.

Died, at his home at St. Paul's, N. C., Sunday, Nov. 28th, little Theodora, the 8 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Porter. Mr. Porter was raised in the Hope Mills section of Cumberland county. May the bereaved family feel that though this be a hard lesson, it is such as our blessed Master desires to teach them and that it is for His glory.

R. S. BURNS

BEAVER DAM ITEMS.

BEAVER DAM, November 29, '97.

Mrs. Willie Carty died November the 26th. She leaves a husband and four very small children. They have our heartfelt sympathy.

We took a trip to Concord Church last Sunday. This church is situated in the eastern part of Cedar Creek Township. This part of the county is fast developing into a fine farming country. Here is a fine trucking section for farmers who want to go into the trucking business, as the Wilmington extension of the C. F. & Y. V. railroad passes through a portion of it. Stedman, in Cumberland, and Autryville, in Sampson, are near by, so shipping could be easily done.

There is a Sanctification preacher and Faith docter in Sampson county, near by, preaching Sanctification, bidding the lame walk, calling on the blind to see, and the deaf to hear. What a fast age we are living in! Oh that we could find "the fountain of youth" and drink and live forever! Would we then be satisfied?

Miss Etta Horne, of Sampson, spent a few days in our section last week visiting friends and relatives.

Miss Emma Fisher is spending some time in South Carolina with friends and relatives.

We see there is to be a meeting of the Democratic State Executive Committee. This is a move in the right direction; put the party on a record, so we can make a straight fight next year on the Chicago platform. Let all who advocate the gold standard accept the will of the majority, as this is patriotism, and if they cannot do this, let them go to the Republican party, where they belong.

The OBSERVER'S call for our County Committee to meet and elect a County Chairman was a wise suggestion, and one our County and Township Committees should act on without delay. We should have our party thoroughly organized and ready for the great battle that is coming next fall.

Take courage, brother, and look at the great victories won on the 16 to 1 platform in the late elections, and let us go to work with renewed efforts to gain back our old State—the pride of our hearts. JACK.

SEVENTY-FIRST ITEMS.

SEVENTY-FIRST, Dec. 1, 1897.

In former days it was characteristic of the Scotch that "a promise given was a promise kept," and as some traces of ancient things yet lurk in some of the descendants of these loyal people, we take up first the "unfinished business" of last week's letter, viz. the weddings.

The marriage of Miss Martin and Mr. Bennett was celebrated at the home of the bride's father, Mr. J. M. Martin, in the presence of the relatives and friends of the contracting parties, the ceremony being solemnly and impressively performed by Rev. David Fairley. After the young couple had received the hearty congratulations of the assembled guests, all repaired to the dining-room, where an elegant collation was served. On the next night, Thanksgiving, a reception was given by Mr. and Mrs. Bennett, parents of the groom, which was well attended.

McPherson's church was prettily decorated in honor of the nuptials of Miss McDonald and Mr. McArthur. The sacred edifice was filled with interested spectators when at the appointed hour the bridal party, preceded by the ushers, Messrs. J. A. Graham, Joe Pierce and John Ward, entered the church in the following order: Mr. Tate Rackley, with Miss Kate Davis; Mr. Willie Owen, with Miss Malloy; Mr. John McLauchlin, with Miss Kate Phillips; Mr. Dan McDonald, with Miss Mary McArthur and Mr. John McArthur, with Miss Effie McLauchlin. The bride and groom entered together and were made one by Rev. H. Tucker Graham, with a gracefully beautiful ceremony. Upon leaving the church, the party went to the home of Mr. McArthur, where the wedding feast was partaken of. Our best wishes go to these newly married folks. "If my gossip report be an honest woman of her word," we'll write of Hymen soon again.

Mrs. J. J. Jackson of Pittsboro, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. H. Currie, who retured from Wilmington Saturday.

Communion services will be held at McPherson's church on next Sunday, preaching beginning on Friday before.

Jim Parker, a respectable colored man of 71st, was found dead Monday morning by the side of the fence surrounding his cabin. He had gone out early in the morning to cut some wood, and not returning as soon as his wife thought he should, she sent her daughter to a neighbor's house to inquire if her husband had been there. Not finding him, the alarm spread, a search party was soon organized, and they discovered his body in sight of his home, as stated above. The dead man was taken to his house and the country coroner summoned. We have not learned the verdict of the coroner's jury.

Perhaps Mrs. Cochran's "school for negro children" would receive more sympathetic endorsement and heartier appreciation if removed to the other side of the Mason and Dixon line, where the subjects of her charity might be educated and nurtured in the warm bosom of the friendly North! But if that be impracticable, we would modestly suggest that "Roland" would manage the scheme excellently. SCOTCH LASSIE.

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TAXES!

FAIR NOTICE.

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All who do not want to be indicted had best pay up before December 29th.

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LATEST NEWS.

John J. Barnes, the Rocky Mount man sentenced to the penitentiary for assault on Miss Yarborough and who appealed, has been sent to Wake jail; he has admitted his crime; sentiment is strong against him.——Near Cherry Grove beach, South Carolina, a negro man named Willis waylays a white lad named Stephens and murders him; the sheriff's posse find the murderer at Town Creek, N. C., with the property of the deceased; a crowd of men take the negro from the officers, chain him to a tree and burn him to death.——A negro is taken from jail at Starks, Fla., and hanged for a criminal assault.——After the present legal quibbles are over the California attorney general will advise Warden Hale to hang Durrant without paying attention to further moves by the condemned's attorneys.——The rioting in the Austrian reichsrath was renewed yesterday and the sitting had to be adjourned; there is an ugly feeling among the populace; fifty one persons were arrested for unruly conduct the day before——There was serious rioting in Vienna and Gratz yesterday; in the latter city several persons were killed.

In the supreme court this week will be argued a case in which a man is charged with killing two men by blowing up their house with dynamite because of jealousy of one as to a widow.——Methodist ministers are pouring into Raleigh for the conference; the historical society of the church meets this evening. ——Engineer Bumgardner, shot by a tramp, has died; his murderer is in the mountains with a party of friends, armed; men have gone in search of him. ——In the Thorn Guldensuppe trial yesterday the defendant went upon the witness stand; he placed the murder upon Mrs. Nack and said his only connection with the case was as accessory after the fact in order to conceal the crime and shield Mrs. Nack; the defense closed its case and argument will begin today. ——A party of northern bankers, capitalists and cotton manufacturers are making a tour of the cotton mill section of the south. ——The San Francisco Call receives a letter from Dawson City; it says the gold seekers are confronted with famine. ——At Pittsburg, Pa., a negro man, who claims to have been born in 1777, asks for admission to the poor house on the ground that he is now too old to work. ——The second trial of Luetgert was begun yesterday with new counsel for the defense; the securing of a jury was begun and only two were chosen by the state. ——In the Richmond (Va.) city prison two prisoners have a fight and one is killed.——Fearful storms swept the British coasts Sunday and Sunday night; a great many vessels were wrecked and the loss of life was great.

There are 1,004,385 spindles in the cotton and woolen mills of this state. ——Ben Fields, convicted of murder at Tarboro, is granted a new trial.——Over 500 persons arrive in Raleigh to attend the Methodist conference; the historical society of the church met last night and re-elected the old officers——The democratic committee appoints a committee which drafts an address to the people; this address endorses the Chicago platform and insists upon white supremacy in the State. ——Members of Congress are arriving at the capital very slowly; as to the Cuban question members of both houses are reserving their opinions till they get official information as to the situation; as to the currency legislation the democrats and their free silver allies will oppose any proposition made and many republicans oppose introducing any measures in the house.——Senator Wellington of Maryland, secures an indictment against the publisher of The Baltimore American and sues him for $100,000 damages, for libel.——Secretary Gage estimates the treasury deficiencies for next year at not over $25,000,000.——The grand jury find Thorn guilty of murder in the first degree; sentenee will be pronounced on Friday. ——The cabinet discusses the situation in Klondike; it will ask congress for an appropriation to transport food supplies.——At San Carlos, Nicaragua, Mrs. H. C. Janes is frightened to death by the sudden intrusion into her bed room of a native, "anxious to see the new baby."

Miss Allis Hughes, Norfolk, Va., was frightfully burned on the face and neck Pain was instantly relieved by DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, which healed the injury without leaving a scar. It is the famous pile remedy. KING BROS.

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Interesting Communications.

We surrender much of our space today to a number of interesting letters from different parts of the county.

Next Attraction at the Opera House.

Fields & Hanson's minstrels appear at the Opera House next Tuesday night. It is said to be a fine troupe.

Marriage Licenses.

The Register of Deeds has granted 17 marriage licenses last month; 10 to white and 7 to colored.

Cotton Prices.

Cotton has slightly advanced and is now selling on this market at 5¼ to 5½. The local market is firm, with good demand.

River News.

The Hurt left for Wilmington yesterday. We were glad to see Capt. Sandy Robeson able to be in command once more.

Marriage in Cedar Creek.

Mr. Chas. Gilbert, of Wilmington, will be married at Cedar Creek yesterday to Miss Lida Hare, daughter of our well known county man, Mr. John Hare.

The Conference.

Mr. Q. K. Nimocks, representing Hay Street Church, left for Raleigh Tuesday morning to attend the annual Conference in session there.

Death of a Child.

Little Hector Strange McCaskill, youngest son of Register of Deeds A. L. McCaskill, died of cholera infantum, at the home of its parents in Flea Hill at 8 o'clock Friday.

Off for the Federal Court.

A car load of government officials, witnesses and others left on the C. F. & Y. V. train Sunday afternoon for Wilmington, where the Federal Court convened this morning.

River and Rain Fall

There was 3 2 feet of water in the Cape Fear at 8 o'clock Wednsday with a continued rise.

The amount of water which fell from the rain of Sunday night and yesterdey, was .81 of an inch, as taken by official gauger, Mr. Frank Glover.

Attempt at Robbery.

Tuesday morning it was discovered that an attempt had been made to rob Mr. J. J. Whaley's jewelry store on Hay street during the night. The lock of the front door was partially cut away and an effort had been made to prize the door open. The robbers were evidently frightened off before they could accomplish their purpose.

Senator Elect McLaurin.

Ex-Senator and Senator Elect McLaurin, of South Carolina, and family, passed through this city Tuesday on their way to Washington where they will spend the winter. Congress convenes next Monday. Senator McLaurin appears to have recovered from his late severe illness and is looking in his usual health.

New Postmasters.

The following fourth-class postmasters were appointed Saturday for North Carolina: Bandy, Jos. S. Bandy; Churchland, L. F. Barnes; Coddle, B. W. Pressly; Millers Creek, Reuben F. Wyatt; Old Hundred, John W. Woodward; Paw Creek, T. J. Saddler; Stewart, P. R. Cameron; Summerville, Mrs. Cora C. Bryan; Wakefield, L. W. Robertson; Winnie, Robert L. Bryan.

Two Fine Sermons.

The sermon at St. John's Episcopal church Sunday morning by Rev. J. S. Moody of New York, was both eloquent and impressive, and captured the hearts of his hearers.

The large congregations present at the Presbyterian church yesterday morning aad evening were much impressed by the eloquence and sound reasoning of the sermons of our former townsman, Rev. Jno. M. Rose, D. D., of Morganton.

A Unique Gift.

The editor of the OBSERVER highly appreciates the following letter from an old Fayettevillian, and will do what he can for the rats:

"I desire to present you a pair of rats, perfectly harmless and gentle, will not bite, but will run all other rats from the house. I saw in your paper mention of a peculiar rat, color, yellow and white. These are white and black. Hope you will keep them and make them as profitable as you have made your paper useful. With many kind regards, I remain as ever your friend, JORDON W. BRANCH."

It is easy to catch a cold and just as easy to get rid of it if you commence early to use One Minute Cough Cure. It cures coughs, colds, bronchitis, pneumonia and all throat and lung troubles. It is pleasant to take, safe to use and sure to cure.
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People and Their Movements.

Maj. E. L. Pemberton returned from New York City Saturday night.

Mrs. Martha King and her daughter Miss Mattie, are visiting relatives in Raleigh

We are glad to see Mr. H. E. Sheetz, who has been ill for several weeks, able to be out.

Mr. Arnold Borden, one of Goldsboro's most prominent citizens, is here on a short visit.

Misses Kate and Janie Fairley, of Manchester, are visiting at Mrs. Ed. McKethan's.

Misses Addie Riddick and Katie Hawley have returned to St. Mary's School, Raleigh.

Mrs. B. A. Morgan and son are on a visit to Mrs. Morgan's father, Hon. G. M. Rose, on Haymount.

Mr. W. S. MacRae, who has been confined at home for a week past, is able to be out again.

Miss Marion Mallett has returned from Salisbury where she has been visiting her sister Mrs. Overman.

Maj. E. J. Hale went up to Raleigh Monday morning to attend a meeting of the State Democratic Executive Committee.

Miss May Broadfoot gave a delightful reception at the home of her mothers on Dick street Friday night in honor of Mr. Paul Slocomb's guests, Messrs. Fendrich and Duffy.

Mr. M. McI. Matthews, Manager of the LaFayette Hotel, gave a swell little dinner Sunday in honor of Mr. J. W. Perris, who is about to leave us, and the several visiting young men in the city.

Messrs. J. G. Shaw and H. L. Cook have gone to Wilmington to appear in the Federal Court for Mr. D. P. Williams, charged with the Roseboro postoffice robbery and the burning of a government warehouse.

Mr. Herbert Lutterloh and wife returned Saturday night from their bridal tour through the north. Mrs. Lutterloh will receive a cordial welcome into Fayetteville society by her husband's host of friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Marburg, of Baltimore, and Mrs. Victor Grainger, of Wilmington, arrived from Wilmington this morning and will spend several days in the city the guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Lilly on Haymount.

Miss Lizzie Brady returned this morning from Wilmington, where she has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Owen Love.

Mr. Rob. Register and Misses Mattie and Bettie Register, who came here to attend the funeral of their aunt, Miss Martha McDuffie, returned to Keyser this morning.

Miss Effie Melvin, a daugter of one of Bladen's most popular farmers, was in town today making happy the hearts of our dry goods merchants. Miss Melvin has heretofore done her shopping in Wilmington, but says that Fayetteville is the place to buy dry goods.

Criminal Court.

Judge Sutton goes to Halifax next week to hold Criminal Court; he will then return, and on the 27th of December convene a special term of Cumberland Criminal Court.

For this special term there are already docketed 81 cases. This includes one capital case, Isham Wright, for burglary, and fifteen cases for violation of the liquor laws. It Alex Gilmore is bound over for burglary at his preliminary hearing, he will probably also be tried for his life at this term.

Laid at Rest.

The funeral of Miss Martha McDuffie, who died Sunday at Keyser, was held at 11 o'clock Tuesday, and was attended by a large number of friends and relatives of the deceased most excellent and beloved lady, Rev. Mr. Graham conducting the services. The following were the pall bearers: Col. C. W. Broadfoot, Col. A. B. Williams, Capt. J. A. McPherson, Capt. J. B. Smith, and Messrs. Alex McArthur and Thos. Fitzell.

Dr. Nash Probably to Leave Us.

Dr. Nash preached two very able sermons at the Methodist church on Sunday. Both discourses were in the nature of farewell sermons, and many were moved to tears as he feelingly referred to his two years labor in this field, his continued love for Hay street church, and his solicitude for her future welfare.

It is understood that the North Carolina annual conference at its session in Raleigh this week will accord him the recognition his eminent abilities deserve, by making him a presiding elder of the church. This will be gratifying news to the doctor's friends here, who, through regretting to lose him, will, nevertheless, rejoice to know of his advancement in the ranks of the church militant to which he belongs.

Mrs. M. B. Ford, Ruddell's, Ill., suffered for eight years from dyspepsia and chronic constipation and was finally cured by using DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills for all stomach and liver troubles.
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Great Presence of Mind.

Saturday night, Master Willie Walker, son of Capt. Jno. M. Walker, was studying his lessons in his room on the second floor of the residence on Dick street, when he accidentially upset the large student's lamp and immediately a great flame was licking the ceiling. Without a moments hesitation Master Walker ran to the bed, pulled the covering from it and smothered the blaze. He did not utter a cry of alarm and it was not until the danger was over that he notified the rest of the family.

Prosperity comes quickest to the man whose liver is in good condition. DeWitt's Little Early Risers are famous little pills for constipation, biliousness, indigestion and all stomach and liver troubles.
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ELECTRIC LIGHT PLANT SUIT.

The Complaint of the Plaintiff.

The following is a synopsis of the complaint filed during the last term of the Superior Court in regard to the proposed municipal electric light plant, which complaint acts as an estoppel on construction of said plant:

The case is entitled J. E. Garrett vs. the mayor and board of aldermen of the city of Fayetteville. The first paragraph states that the plantiff is a property holder in the city of Fayetteville.

II. That he is informed and believes that the city authorities are about to contract a debt of $15,000 to purchase and erect an electric light plant, pledging the faith and credit of the city and issuing coupon-bonds for said purpose.

The fourth paragraph explains explains the third and states: That the plaintiff is advised that the act of the Legislature authorizing the issue of bonds is inoperative and void and unconstitutional, its requirements being uncertain and contradictory and that the election thereunder was irregular the defendants having no legal right to contract the debt, or any right to pledge the faith or loan the credit of the city.

5. The plaintiff alleges that the expense of purchasing said plant, is not a necessary expense.

6 The plaintiff alleges that the Legislature had not the right to authorize such issue of bonds as provided in said act, making the semi-annual coupons, therefrom, receivable in payment of all dues to the city, and to require the expenses of said system of electric lights to be paid from the current tax receipts unless there had also been a special tax provided for the purpose of raising the necessary funds.

7. That current tax receipts are insufficient to meet the ordinary expenses, as the reports and records of the city officials show that they have borrowed money from several sources, and that it would injure the credit of the city to divert the present insufficent income to other purposes, other than already provided for.

8. That the different sections of chapter 193, private acts 1897, contain provisions and requirements that are so conflicting that said election was void. Here follows a long summary of various alleged irregularities in the publication of notice, the place of holding the election, the manner of registering, and irregularities in the appointment of officers of election.

9. The plaintiff alleges that a requirement of said act of 97, was that the ballots to be used at the election should be on white paper and without device and should contain the words "Bonds" or "No Bonds" only. That ballots in said election contained the printed words "Bonds-Lights" and "No Bonds-Against Lights." That a provision of said act required that the election should be conducted in all respects as elections for members of general assembly under direction of sheriff and his deputies, but in this election the sheriff or his deputies had no control. Here follows a long recitation of irregularities in rendering the returns etc.

10. That the act required the election to be held at the market house and that the notice of election published June 23rd required a new registration by wards, contrary to the provisions of the act and in some instances places were fixed for registration that were not in the wards.

11. In this paragraph affiant sets forth that he is informed and believes that the number of voters reported as voting for "Bonds-Lights" viz 275 is not a majority of the qualified voters residing within the city of Fayetteville.

12. That the notice of 30 days of the election so held was not given in accordance with the requirements of said act.

13. The affiaint states that matters and questions as to election were not determined as provided in said act and the same is therefore of no effect.

14. This last paragraph asks that the defendants be enjoined from issuing said bonds and pledging the credit of the city in any way.

Robbed Without Concealment.

Saturday afternoon Mr. Troy Vann was astonished to see two negro men walk up to his stall in the market house and each pick up a piece of pork and start leisurely off. He called to Chief of Police Flowers who was standing near by and the men were arrested. They gave their names as King Underwood and Lewis Council. They were apparently drunk and were placed in jail. Monday morning they were tried before 'Squire McKay for simple trespass and discharged on payment of costs. There was no concealment of the crime hence the light sentence.

Mrs. Stark, Pleasant Ridge, O., says: "After two doctors gave up my boy to die, I saved him from croup by using One Minute Cough Cure." It is the quickest and most certain remedy for coughs, colds and all throat and lung troubles.
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The Greatest Discovery Yet.

W. M. Repine, editor Tiskilwa, Ill., "Chief," says: "We won't keep house without Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. Experimented with many others, but never got the true remedy until we used Dr. King's New Discovery. No other remedy can take its place in our home, as in it we have a certain and sure cure for Coughs, Colds, Whooping Cough, etc." It is idle to experiment with other remedies, even if they are urged on you as just as good as Dr. King's New Discovery. They are not as good, because this remedy has a record of cures and besides is guaranteed. It never fails to satisfy. Trial bottles free at B. E. Sedberry & Son Drug Store.

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Rev. Mr. McKelway.

The congregation of the Presbyterian Church refuses to accept the resignation of the senior pastor, Rev. A. J. McKelway, and will do all in its power to keep him here.

Immediately after the morning service Sunday a congregational meeting was held, the Rev. Jno. M. Rose acting as Moderator, for the purpose of considering Mr. McKelway's conditional resignation. A letter was read from Mr. McKelway tendering his resignation as pastor of the church, subject to the action of the Presbytery, in order that he might accept the position of Editor of the North Carolina Presbyterian and Missionary Evangelist of North Carolina.

By a rising vote the congregation refused to accept the resignation on any condition, and, upon motion, Capt. S. C. Rankin and H. McD. Robinson, Esq., were appointed commissioners to appear before the Presbytery, at its session in this city next Thursday, and do all in their power to dissuade that body from transferring their beloved pastor.

Death of Miss Martha McDuffie.

Sunday afternoon at Keyser, Moore county, in the 80th year of age Miss Martha McDuffie, sister of Mr. James R. McDuffie of Georgia and Dr. W. C. McDuffie of this place, departed this life. She was a Christian, meek and lowly; a devoted daughter and loving sister; a life spent for the happiness of others. She was a member of the Presbyterian church from her youth.

Funeral at 11 o'clock Tuesday, the 30th, at the old "Gee" cemetery, two and a half miles west of Fayetteville.

Mrs. Mary Bird, Harrisburg, Pa., says: "My child is worth millions to me; yet I would have lost her by croup had I not invested twenty-five cents in a bottle of One Minute Cough Cure." It cures coughs, colds and all throat and lungs troubles.
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Improvements.

A large force of carpenters are at work, construction new platforms for the C. F. & Y. V. freight depot.

Preparations are being made for the construction of Mr. Walter L. Holt's residence on Haymount; the ground is being leveled, etc. The house will stand on the bluff just above the old Hinsdale spring.

Mr. W. J. Boone's new residence on Winslow street is nearing completion.

Words of Praise.

In speaking of the marriage of Miss Alice Hawley to Mr. R. G. Nickles, which took place in this city last Wednesday, Mr. Nickles home paper says:

"Mr. Nickles is one of Talladega's most prominent young men, and is a gentleman of the highest sense of honor and integrity. Miss Hawley, who is known to many in Talladega, is a lady of high intellect, pleasing manners and charming person, and we are delighted to know that in the future she is to permanently reside in Talladega.

"Mr. Nickles and bride will arrive in Talladega Friday.

Was Very Nervous

Had Smothering Spells and Could Not Sleep—Doctors Called It Neuralgia and Indigestion.

"I had pains in my head, neck and shoulders and all through my body but they were most severe in my left side. The doctor called it neuralgia and indigestion. I was confined to my bed for eight months. I was very nervous, had smothering spells and could not sleep. I read of cures by Hood's Sarsaparilla and of a case similar to mine. My husband procured a bottle, and I began taking it. After taking one bottle I felt better, was able to rest and my appetite improved. I continued until my nervousness was cured and I was much better in every way. My husband has also been benefited by Hood's Sarsaparilla." MARY S. STONE, Spainville, Virginia.

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QUICK CURE,
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WORM AND TONIC POWDERS, etc.

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Cumberland County, N. C., Oct. 4, 1897.

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Yours truly,
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WANTED—TRUSTWORTHY and active gentlemen or ladies to travel for responsible, established house in North Carolina. Monthly $65.00 and expenses. Position steady. Reference. Enclose self-addressed stamped envelope. The Dominion Company, Dept. R. Chicago.

Dave P. Williams Acquitted.

Mr. D. P. Williams, formerly of this city, charged with stealing seven barrels and one keg of whisky from the government warehouse at Roseboro was Tuesday evening acquitted in the Federal Court at Wilmington.

The Wilmington Star of this Wednesday says:

"Nearly all the day's session was taken up in the trial of the case against Mr. D. P. Williams. About the first of last July a government warehouse in Roseboro, containing a number of barrels of whisky, was burned, and later five of the barrels of whisky which were supposed to have been consumed by the flames where the warehouse was burned, and which were the property of Mr. Williams, and were in the warehouse until the duty was paid by Mr. Williams were found, but not in the defendant's possession. Upon trial Mr. Williams proved a good character by a number of witnesses, and also that the whisky was not found in his possession. Ex Congressman J. G. Shaw and H. L. Cook, Esq., of Fayetteville, and D. B. Sutton, Esq., conducted the case for the defendant, and District Attorney C. B. Aycock conducted the case for the government.

"The case went to the jury at 6:15 o'clock, and after supper a verdict of not guilty, was rendered and Mr. Williams was discharged."

Other cases from this county disposed of were:

"United States vs. Wm. Young, of Cumberland county, illicit distilling, called and failed, judgment nisi.

"United States vs. John I. Carver, of Cumberland county, illicit distilling, called and failed, judgment nisi.

"United States vs. Gus Carver, of Cumberland county, illicit distilling, called and failed, judgment nisi."

J. A. Perkins, of Antiquity, O., was for thirty years needlessly tortured by physicians for the cure of eczema. He was quickly cured by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve the famous healing salve for piles and skin diseases. KING BROS

LIST OF LETTERS

Remaining in the Fayetteville Post Office Unclaimed Nov. 29, 1897.

B—Miss Mary Black, Miss C C Butler, J J Burnett.
C—Com F Coffey, Miss Robin Campbell, L Conner.
E—J R Elliott, Hector Elliott, Jacob Ellord, Wm Elliott.
F—Miss Fanny Freeman.
G—J L Grady, Burnice Geddie.
H—Mrs Alice Harrison, M J Herring, Alfred Hackney.
J—J R Jordan.
K—W L King.
L—Miss Lizzie Layrea, Sarah A Lowmack.
Mc—Mrs Henrietta McLean, Andrew McChorsther, Miss Lucy McClamb, M C Miller.
R—T S Rayner, Lenard Redak.
S—B J Steel.
T—Miss Maria Tysor, Add Tyndall.
W—Mrs Anner Williams, Mrs Virginier Williams, Mrs Laura Williams, N R Williams.

Persons calling for any of above letters please say advertised.

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We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.
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Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Price, 75c. per bottle. Sold by all Druggists: Testimonials free.

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After eminent physicians and all other known remedies fail, Botanic Blood Balm (B. B. B.) will quickly cure. Thousands of testimonials attest this fact. No case of Rheumatism can stand before its magic healing power. Send stamp for book of particulars. It contains evidence that will convince you that B. B. B. is the best cure for all Blood and Skin Diseases ever discovered. Beware of substitutes said to be "just as good." $1.00 per large bottle.

A NOTED JOURNALIST CURED AND TESTIFIES.

I was afflicted for three years with rheumatism of the ankle and joints to such an extent that locomotion was difficult, and I suffered great pain. I was induced to try a bottle of B. B. B. and before I had completed the second bottle I experienced relief, and four bottles effected an entire cure. Six months have passed since the swelling and pain disappeared, and I will state that B. B. B., has effected a permanent cure, for which I am very grateful.
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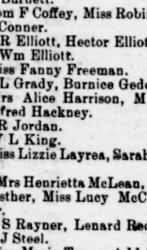

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THIS SEASON WE EVER HAD the pleasure to show, $1.00 to $3.00 for men.

New Goods in To-Day:

"Beautiful line of Winter Buggy Robes."

New line of Window Shades in plain colors only 25c. These window shades will cost you 40 to 50c. elsewhere.

New line of Eider Down in high colors.

47 inch Drap D'Eta—all colors only 85c. yard.

50 doz. Best 35c. Ladies' Hose—our price only 25c.

100 doz. Nince 20c. Black Hose—our price 12½c.

Ladies' Heavy Ribbed Drawers, good values at 50c. pair.

1 Case of Regular 75c. Corsets—our price 50c.

100 dozen Plain White Hemstiched Handkerchiefs at 5c. each.

And other goods of every description.

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Middling,	5¼
Good Middling,	5½
Tinges and Stains, Market—weak.	

NAVAL STORES.

Spirits,	28c
Common Rosin,	80
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REPORTED DAILY BY A. S. HUSKE, GROCER.

Extra Flour—sack,	$200@ 230
Family Flour—sack,	275
Hides—dry—per lb.	5@8
" —green—per lb.	@3½
Wool—washed	6@20
Bacon—hog round per lb—	9@10
" —ham	10@13
" —sides	9@10
" —shoulders	8@8½
Oats—32 lbs per bushel	38@40
Peas—clay	55@60
" —mixed	60
Meal—bolted—44 lbs per bushel	45@55
" —unbolted—48 lbs per bushel	50@50
Corn—old—56 lbs per bushel	50
Onions—select—per bushel	75@90
Lard—N. C.	8@8½
Tallow	2½@4
Ducks	18@20
Hens—per head	25
Roosters—per head	15 a 20
Turkeys—per lb	7 a 8½
Guineas	15
Geese	25 a 36
Butter—choice yellow	25 a 30
Honey—strained—per lb	9 a 10
" —comb—per lb	8 a 13
Eggs—hen—	15 a 17
Feathers—new	35 a 40

A Clever Trick.

It certainly looks like it, but there is really no trick about it. Anybody can try it who has Lame Back and Weak Kidneys, Malaria or nervous troubles. We mean he can cure himself right away by taking Electric Bitters. This medicine tones up the whole system, acts as a stimulant to the Liver and Kidneys, is a blood purifier and nerve tonic. It cures Constipation, Headache, Fainting Spells, Sleeplessness and Melancholy. It is purely vegetable, a mild laxative, and restores the system to its natural vigor. Try Electric Bitters and be convinced that they are a miracle worker. Every bottle guaranteed. Only 50c a bottle at B. E. Sedberry's & Son Drug Store.

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Look at the newspapers from other towns and see what reliable papers say about them. See what

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On 13th April, 1897, we sent out the following letter:

"DEAR SIR:—Sometime ago you bought a Buck stove from us. Will you kindly state below whether it is giving satisfaction and whether you are pleased with it or not. Yours truly,
HUSKE HARDWARE HOUSE."

REPLIES FROM CUMBERLAND.

The Buck stove is giving entire satisfaction. Does the best cooking with the least wood of any stove I ever saw.
G. F. WHEELER.

The stove gives entire satisfaction.
MRS. W. S. COOK.

The stove gives perfect satisfaction.
N. CASHWELL.

I have been using the Buck stove for more than a year and it gives entire satisfaction.
J. K. SESSOMS.

We are very much pleased indeed with our Buck stove, and consider it the very best stove we have ever used, as it gives entire satisfaction.
C. J. HEDGPETH.

☞For longer list of testimonials see our handbills.
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Underwear in abundance.

Neckwear, Gloves, Collars, Cuffs, Handkerchiefs, Socks, Jewelry, etc., bought expressly for the Holliday trade.

Will have on exhibition this week a beautiful assortment of

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Gentlemen:—I have prescribed your Cough Remedy, known as "KING'S COUGH CORDIAL," several times with great success. It is not only a good expectorant, but it also acts promptly, and is very soothing to the throat and lungs. The formula is a perfectly safe one, and its promptness in action ought to secure a great demand for it as a general use. Very truly yours,

J. ALLISON HODGES, M. D.,
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A full and varied assortment, comprising everything useful to the housekeeper.

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Nov. 23, 1897, Fayetteville, N. C.

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Fill a bottle or common glass with urine and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates an unhealthy condition of the kidneys. When urine stains linen it is evidence of kidney trouble. Too frequent desire to urinate or pain in the back is also convincing proof that the kidneys and bladder are out of order.

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There is comfort in the knowledge so often expressed that Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy, fulfils every wish in relieving pain in the back, kidneys, liver, bladder and every part of the urinary passages. It corrects inability to hold urine and scalding pain in passing it, or bad effects following use of liquor, wine or beer, and overcomes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to get up many times during the night to urinate. The mild and the extraordinary effect of Swamp-Root is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases. If you need a medicine you should have the best. Sold by druggists, price fifty cents and one dollar. You may have a sample bottle and pamphlet both sent free by mail. Mention the OBSERVER and send your address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y.

Valuable Sale.

By virtue of a deed made to me, I will sell at public auction, on Saturday, Jan'y 1st, at the Market House in the City of Fayetteville, that Store on Person street, known as the Tomlinson Store, No. 43, now occupied by Haywood Bros. Title perfect

Also, at the same time and place, one ten horse power Engine and Boiler, in the shop of J. N. Emmett, deeded to me by W. D. McNeill.

Terms of sale: Cash.

Purchaser to pay for deed of conveyance.

A. G. BRADY, Mortgagee.
GEO. M. ROSE, Attorney.
Nov. 30, 1897.

Do You Want Gold?

Everyone desires to keep informed on Yukon, the Klondyke and Alaskan gold fields. Send 10c. for large Compendium of vast information and big color map to Hamilton Pub. Co., Indianapolis, Ind.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA,
Cumberland County—In the Superior Court.

Susanna Averitt vs. John T. Averitt, Notice.

The defendant above-named will take notice that an action entitled as above has commenced in the Superior Court of Cumberland County the purpose of the same being to secure a dissolution of the bonds of matrimony existing between the above named parties; and the said defendant will further take notice, that he is required to appear at the next term of the Superior Court of said county to be held on the 3rd Monday after the first Monday in March, 1898, at the Court House of said County in Fayetteville, N. C., and answer or demur to the complaint in said action, or the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in said complaint. CYRUS MURPHY,
Clerk of the Superior Court.
Nov. 29, 1897—6w

Twenty Years Proof.

Tutt's Liver Pills keep the bowels in natural motion and cleanse the system of all impurities An absolute cure for sick headache, dyspepsia, sour stomach, constipation and kindred diseases.

"Can't do without them"

R. P. Smith, Chilesburg, Va. writes I don't know how I could do without them. I have had Liver disease for over twenty years. Am now entirely cured.

Tutt's Liver Pills

The register of deeds issued marriage license Friday to Mr. D. J. Lockamy and Miss Maggie Bain, both of Black River township.

Col. Gardner to Live Here.

We learn with pleasure that Col. Fleming Gardner, chief engineer of the A. C. L. railroad, will shortly move from Wilmington to this city to live.

The Longest Mileage.

An official report shows that of the seventy-one railways and branches in this State, fifteen are in the Southern system, fourteen in the Atlantic Coast Line, twelve in the Seaboard Air Line and thirty are miscellaneous. The road with least mileage in the State is the Danville and Western, which has only three-quarters of a mile; the longest the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley, with 331 miles; the next longest the Carolina Central, with 264 miles.

Hightower-Burns.

The Maxton Scottish Chief o Thursday says:

Wednesday morning about 8:30 Miss Della Burns, daughter of Mr. E. Burns and Mr. Edward Hightower of Fayetteville were united in the bonds of holy wedlock at residence of the bride's parents. The wedding was a private affair, only a few friends and relatives being present. After the ceremony, which was performed by Rev. Dr. Hill, the happy young couple left on the morning train for Fayetteville, their future home.

Rev. Joseph N. Starr.

The Wilmington Star of Thursday says:

On every hand yesterday could be heard expressions of praise for the new rector of St Paul's Episcopal church. There was a large congregation at both morning and evening services, and the new rector preached two excellent sermons, the one in the morning from Isaiah 1, verse 20, and the one at night from Matthew, 11th chapter and 29th verse.

River News.

The steamer Driver is unable on account of low water, to reach her wharf in this city, and is running between Willis' Creek and Wilmington. The steamboats have all the freight they can carry now, the amount of naval stores along the river having greatly accummulated during the late long drought.

Never before has the Cape Fear been so low for so long a period as this summer and fall. This morning there was only one and a half feet of water in the river.

Death of Mr. John H. Coble.

Many of our readers will be sorry to hear of the death of Mr. John H. Coble of Laurinburg, which occurred Sunday morning at Huntersville, N. C., where he had recently gone to accept a good position in a cotton mill. He was sick of typhoid fever but two weeks. Mr. Coble taught last year in the Charlotte Military Institute and was thinking of entering the ministry. He was a son of the late J. H. Coble well known and much beloved in Fayetteville Presbytery.

Court Notes.

The Superior Court was not in session Thursday, Thanksgiving Day.

Friday the trial of the case of W. H. Capps vs. M. J. Buie, which was commenced Wednesday afternoon was continued and is still occupying the court. The case is an important one, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the home of the defendant. The defendant alleges that the mortgage was obtained by fraudulent representations. H. McD. Roberson and Col. Broadfoot, represent the plantiff, and H. L. Cook and J. G. Shaw the defendant.

Rev. Mr. Oliver.

The Wilmington Messenger of Tuesday contains the following in reference to the well beloved former pastor of the First Baptist Church of this city, now pastor of the First Baptist Church of Wilmington:

Because of certain conditions affecting the progress of the church, and as a possible solution of problems that seem knotty, Mr. Oliver last December handed his resignation to the deacons. The gentlemen constituting the board thought best to withhold it from the congregation, believing it would cause discouragement as well as sorrow. In order to bring about a settlement of these questions, on the night of the 12th instant Mr. Oliver laid the whole matter before the church. The members refused to accept his resignation, and on last Sunday Mr. Oliver announced his decision to withdraw the same, with the understanding that the present pastorate will end with the fiscal year, April 30th, 1898, thus leaving both church and pastor free for future action.

Mr. Oliver is not considering a call to any other church.

NO CURE—NO PAY.

That is the way all druggists sell GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC for Chills and Malaria. It is simply Iron and Quinine in a tasteless form. Children love it Adults prefer it to bitter nauseating tonics. Price, 50c.

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CASCARETS stimulate liver, kidney and bowels. Never sicken, weaken or gripe —10c.

Thanksgiving Reception.

A most enjoyable Thanksgiving reception was given on Wednesday evening by Col. and Mrs. Drewry, particeipated in by Misses Janie McKethan, Eula May McDonald, Bessie Underwood, Maud Haigh, Kate Williams, Mary Utley, Lillie Muse, the Misses Matthews', Katie Gaster, Radie Lambeth, Ellen Sedberry, Maggie Bell McDonald and others.

An elegant collation was served, presided over by Mrs. Drewry, Miss Kate Matthews and Miss Helen Morecock, of Virginia. The happy guests all departed with a note of thanks to the genial host and charming hostess.

Meeting of Board of Aldermen.

The Board of Aldermen met Wednesday night, Mayor Cook presiding, and the following members of the Board present: A. A. McKethan, Jas. F. Johnson, J. W. Johnson, E. J. Kennedy, C. B. McMillan, R. L. Holland, W. S. Maultsby and J. G. Hollingsworth.

Mr. D. A. McMillan tendered his resignation as alderman of the third ward, and Mr. Robt. G. Haigh was unanimously elected to fill the vacancy. The resignation of Mr. McMillan was of course accepted as that gentleman has recently moved on Haymount, outside the corporate limits of the city.

A number of bills were passed and the Board adjourned.

Thanksgiving Day.

The weather was fine Thursday and a beautiful Thanksgiving day was enjoyed by all our citizens, as the day was made a general holiday. The bank and all the public buildings, and almost all the stores were closed.

Thanksgiving services were held in the Methodist, Presbyterian and Episcopal churches in the morning and at the Baptist church in the evening. All were well attended.

Of course hundreds took to the woods early, some fox chasing, some quail shooting, and some squirrel hunting. This morning many are the marvelous tales of game bagged, and in most cases, we must admit, there is every evidence that good sport was had.

Another Case of Hemmorrhagic Fever.

Thursday we published the death from typhoid fever of Miss Nora Godwin, daughter of Mr. S. C. Godwin, of Flea Hill. It now pains us to record the critical illness of his little nine year old daughter, Alice. The child is suffering from that most horrible disease, hemmorrhagic fever.

Mr. Godwin has up to recently thought himself at a sufficient distance from the neighboring death-dealing swamp to be free from its terrible contagion, but sad experience has disproven such cherished hopes. This section of Flea Hill is a death trap, the spring to which is probably the drinking water. Artesian wells, we should think, would remedy this. Then of coruse there is thet swamp which should be drained.

Virginia Defeats our Boys.

The great game of football at Richmond Thursday between the Universities of North Carolina and Virginia resulted in a hard fought victory for the latter by a score of 12 to 0. The North Carolina team was badly handicapped on account of the sickness of several of its best players, and therefore the result is not disappointing.

In the press dispatch account of the game the following is said of a young Fayettevillian:

"The condition of James MacRae, of the Carolina team, who has been the Tar-Heel star player this season, was such that Coach Reynolds would not allow him to enter the game. MacRae received a terribly sprained ankle in Sewanee game several weeks ago, and has been unable to play since that time."

Mr. Perrin and His Successor.

Mr. J. D. Black, of Maxton, has arrived in the city to succeed Mr. J. W. Perrin as rate clerk in General Passenger Agent Kyle's office. Mr. Perrin will leave on December 1st for Wilmington, where he has accepted a position in the general offices of the Atlantic Coast Line. This is an advancement for Mr. Perrin, and his host of warm friends here, though regretting to lose him, heartily rejoice in his good luck.

Of his successor the Maxton Scottish Chief of yesterday says:

"Mr. J. D. Black, who has for several years been the efficient and popular agent of the C. F. & Y. V. R'y here has been promoted to a responsible position in the general offices of the company at Fayetteville. 'Jim Black' has many friends here who will be glad to know that the change augurs more for him."

Fire on Haymount.

The fire alarm rang out at 2:12 o'clock Saturday and it was only a few minutes thereafter that the usual hubbub ensued—ear splitting yells, pistol (or cannon) shots, and the noise resulting from the movement of seemingly countless feet along the pavements. Where all these people come from is a mystery, and it would appear that they are always prepared for such contingencies.

The fire was in Steventown on Haymount, the old Goodman house. It was burned to the ground, and as no one has lived in the building for some time, it is supposed that the conflagration was caused by tramps.

The hose wagon started for the scene, but was turned over and partially wrecked before it had gone beyond the market house. This was the result of an incompetent driver, it is said, who did not know the tricks of the horse, the animal dashing off pell mell, whenever started for a fire.

Miss Allie Hughes, Norfolk, Va., was frightfully burned on the face and neck. Pain was instantly relieved by DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, which healed the injury without leaving a scar. It is the famous pile remedy. KING BROS.

Wonderful Presence of Mind.

The four men, Messrs. Will Manning, Dan Teachy, Chas. Underwood and the negro Wm. Hatwood, who were injured in the accident at Rankin's factory last Monday are all able to be out. It was a miraculous escape from death that these men had and their rapid convalescence is an agreeable surprise.

There was a fifth man under the roof of the building when it fell, but owing to great presence of mind he did not receive a scratch, and besides acted the part of a hero. When the crash came this man as quick as lightning fell flat on his stomach between the piping on the floor and was thus protected. He then crawled to the rescue of his companions and was the chief factor in their escape. This man was Mr. Odie Page.

The "Father of Clarkton."

The Wilmington Star of Saturday contains the following in regard to a gentleman well known in Fayetteville:

Mr. John H. Clark, of Clarkton, is in the city. He has been identified with the business life of that town so long that he is called the "Father of Clarkton." This is his 76th birthday and he says that he has never borrowed a dollar from a bank in his life, never given a mortgage or gone into bankruptcy, and has been in business for fifty-three years, commencing in this city in a grocery store under the Seaman's Bethel. For 45 years not a drop of strong drink has passed his lips. Though well beyond the ordinary limit of a man's life, Mr. Clark is hale and hearty. He is the father of eleven children, nine of whom are living.

Graded School Report.

To the Trustees of the Graded School:

GENTLEMEN:—Herewith I have the honor to submit my report of second month of the current scholastic year of the Fayetteville Graded School:

Pupils on rolls at beginning of month,	189
Pupils entered during month,	14
Pupils (total for month),	203
Boys during month,	93
Girls during month,	110
Average attendance,	123
Per cent. attendance,	.61

Following is the

ROOL OF HONOR.

Girls—Emma Solomon, Nan Fisher, Fisher, Lizzie Adams, Caroline Bramble, Katie Lamb, Della Murchison, Hattie Owen, Lena Prior, Sallie Robeson, Rebecca Solomon.

Boys—Sam Tillinghast, Paul Watson, Ben Ward, Haigh Small, Tracy Emmett, James Emmett, Geo. Davis, Mack Davis, John Atkinson, John Adams, Lenox Bramble, Alonzo Jones, George Johnson, Henry Ward, John Raiford, Willie Adams, Grady Crawford, Walter Watson Cook.

The recent average attendance has been discouragingly low, as the above report shows, but the extraneous cause therefor is well understood without explanation and to compensate for this enforced loss of time, the superintendent and teachers earnestly hope that parents will see that their children attend more regularly.

Respectfully,
MISS P. H. MATTHEWS.

Nov. 15, 1897.

LATEST NEWS.

Revenue officers capture three illicit distilleries and 3,000 gallons of beer in Halifax county.——The Supreme Court sets December 4th as the day for hearing the case involving the right to the railway commissionship. ——In the Thorn murder trial the defense is taken by surprise by the prosecution resting its case without putting Mrs Nack upon the witness stand.——The president and Secretary Gage agree generally upon propositions of currency reform to be submitted to congress.—— A Pennsylvania man, while drunk, burns his wife to death with tar and oil.——The scenes in the Austrian reichsrath yesterday were more violent than on the preceding days; the sittings had to be repeatedly suspended; efforts were made to do personal violence to the speaker; several members were forcibly ejected by the police, many of whom were in the hall.—— Report comes from West Africa that a fight has occurred between the British and the French troops at Nikki, in the Lagos Hinterland.——Turkey places with Krupp an order for 150 big cannon.——No American is now in prison in Cuba.

The University of Virginia defeated the Chapel Hill foot ball team by a score of 12 to 0.——Pennsylvania college defeats Cornell at foot ball by a score of 4 to 0.——Corbett and Fitzsimmons will in ten days sign an agreement for another fight.——The president went to church yesterday and then had a few persons to dine at the White house.——Two negroes are lynched in Georgia, one for a criminal assault on a young lady, and the other for stealing a mule.——Governor Russell has granted a respite of sixty days to John Evans, the negro rapist, under sentence to hang at Rockingham, N. C., to-day.——Charleston, S. C., has removed all quarantine restrictions.——It is stated that President McKinley in his message will advise against any action by Congress which would complicate the situation in Cuba; also, that he will recommend a plan for currency reform.——The British ship Port Patrick has been burned at her dock in New York city. Her cargo, valued at $100,000, was also destroyed.——Mobile's board of health announces that it is no longer unsafe for refugees to return.——The post-office at Leaksville, N. C., was robbed Tuesday night and over $200 in money and stamps taken.——New Orleans reports another light frost, and the yellow fever officially declared at an end.

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Cascarets Candy Cathartic, the most wonderful medical discovery of the age, pleasant and refreshing to the taste, act gently and positively on kidneys, liver and bowels, cleansing the entire system, dispel colds, cure headache, fever, habitual constipation and biliousness. Please buy and try a box of C. C. C. to-day; 10, 25, 50 cents. Sold and guaranteed to cure by all druggists. Sold by B. E. Sedberry & Sons.

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The following letter from one of New York's busiest hostesses shows how implicitly Paine's celery compound is relied on among the most intelligent, well-to-do families as well as in the many more humble households all over the country.

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Gentlemen—I think it but fair to you that I bear testimony to the beneficial results of my use of Paine's celery compound.

Two years ago I was almost a wreck from nervous prostration, resulting from overwork, mental and physical. I had lost my memory completely, and friends feared I would never recover. After trying several remedies to no avail, my physician prescribed Paine's celery compound, and within a few days there was a decided improvement in my condition.

After the use of three bottles I was so much better that it was unnecessary for me to continue its use. Since then I have recommended it widely, and have yet to hear that it has failed to do all that I claim for it.

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LIST OF LETTERS

Remaining in the Fayetteville Post Office Unclaimed Nov. 22, 1897.

B—Charley Bogge, Mrs. Hozier Baldwin.
C—A. W. Cleveland, Peter Carver 2, Emeline Cain.
D—W. D. Davis.
F—Rafe Farrish.
G—James Green, col'd, Mrs. Patsy Gainey.
H—Miss Lizzie Herring, Mrs. Laura Hagans, Chas. Hodges.
J—Miss Mary Jerome, George Jipes, Melissa Johnson, S. B. Johnson, Mrs. Lou F. Jones.
L—A. T. Lamb.
M—Daniel Memny.
Mc—Mrs. G. A. McClellan, J. M. McPherson, Chuy McKay.
P—Miss Lilley Perry.
S—Robert Smith.
W—W R Williams 3, Miss Fanny Williams, C. F. Wren, Mrs. Caroline Walker.

Returned from Dead Letter Office: Lettie Mainer, Kalie Williams, Liz zie Williams, Mary Kate Williams.

Persons calling for any of above letters please say advertised.

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AMERICAN TIRES IN ENGLAND.

American single-tube tires are doing no better in Europe in 1897 than European single-tubers have done in previous years In England, the riders will more than ever insist upon double-tube tires, judging by the following from The Cyclist, the great English cycling authority:

"The single-tube tyres fitted to American machines imported this season are now beginning to fail; indeed, a lot of them have already done so. Novices should take the utmost care in buying any of the second-hand American machines at present so extensively advertised for sale, to observe that the tyres, if of the single tube description, are in thoroughly good order. The impotance of this was brought home to us by hearing of a friend who had been victimized by what he considered was a bargain in a second-hand Yankee mount. The tyres were absolutely porous and done for, failing to hold air for more than a few hours when ridden. Even if as good as new when bought, it will not be long before the single-tubers go hopelessly wrong, at least such is our experience."

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OFFICE CLERK SUPERIOR COURT, CUMBERLAND COUNTY, N. C.

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CYRUS MURPHY, C. S. C.,
Oct 12. 1897 Ex-officio C. C. C.

NOTICE OF SEIZURE.

At an illicit still in Cumberland County, the 4th District North Carolina, on the night of the 8th of November, were seized for violation of law, Two Oxen, Wagon and Gear.

Any person claiming any interest in the above property should appear before me at my office in Raleigh within 30 days from date of this libel notice and show cause why said property shall not be forfeited to the United States.

Given under my hand and official seal this 8th day November, 1897.

F. M. SIMMONS,
Collector 4th District N. C.
Nov 11, 1897---oaw3w

Administrator's Notice.

Having qualified as administratrix of Duncan B. Colvin, late of Cumberland County, N. C., this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 15th day of November, 1898, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This Nov. 15th, 1897.

SARAH J. DRAUGHON, Administratrix.

H. L. COOK, Attorney.

Notice of Sale under Mortgage.

By virtue of the power and authority given by a certain mortgage, executed by W. B. Ray and wife to George D Elliot, which is recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Cumberland County, in Book I, No. 4, Page 246, the following property will be exposed to sale by public auction, viz: About 80 acres of land, beginning at a pine, McNeill's corner on the south side of Duck Branch; then N 80 W 18.45 to a stake in Ham's line; then with his line S 40 W 21.75 then N 50 W 11.75; then S 74 W 15 chs then S 40° E 16 chs S 40° E 4 chs; then N 76° E 31·25 chs then S 8° E 1 chn; then N 33½° E 21 chs to the beginning.

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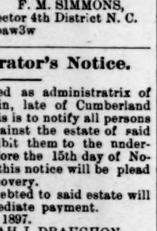

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NORTH BOUND.	No. 2 Daily
Leave Wilmington,	9 00 a m
Arrive Fayetteville,	12 10 p m
Leave Fayetteville,	12 25 "
Leave Fayetteville Junction,	12 27 "
Leave Sanford,	1 48 "
Leave Climax	3 47 "
Arrive Greensboro	4 20 "
Leave Greensboro,	4 30 "
Leave Stokesdale,	5 17 "
Leave Walnut Cove	5 47 "
Leave Rural Hall,	6 15 "
Arrive Mt. Airy,	7 45 "

SOUTH BOUND	No. 1 Daily.
Leave Mt. Airy,	8 40 a m
Leave Rural Hall,	10 04 "
Leave Walnut Cove	10 23 "
Leave Stokesdale,	11 06 "
Arrive Greensboro,	11 55 "
Leave Greensboro,	12 15 p m
Leave Climax,	12 43 "
Leave Sanford,	2 36 "
Leave Fayetteville Junction	3 55 "
Arrive Fayetteville,	4 00 "
Leave Fayetteville,	4 10 "
Arrive Wilmington,	7 20 "

NORTH BOUND.	No. 4. Daily.
Leave Bennettsville,	8 00 a m
Arrive Maxton,	9 02 "
Leave Maxton,	9 07 "
Leave Red Springs,	9 35 "
Leave Hope Mills,	10 20 "
Arrive Fayetteville,	10 40 "

SOUTH BOUND.	No. 3. Daily.
Leave Fayetteville,	4 50 p m
Lv Goldsboro	5 07 "
Leave Red Springs,	5 43 "
Arrive Maxton,	6 11 "
Leave Maxton,	6 15 "
Arrive Bennettsville,	7 15 "

NORTH BOUND.	No. 16. Mixed Daily Except Sunday.
Leave Ramseur,	6 40 a m
Leave Climax,	8 25 "
Arrive Greensboro,	9 17 "
Leave Greensboro,	9 35 "
Leave Stokesdale,	11 07 "
Arrive Madison,	11 55 "

SOUTH BOUND.	No. 15. Mixed. Daily Except Sunday.
Leave Madison,	12 37 p m
Leave Stokesdale,	1 25 "
Arrive Greensboro,	2 45 "
Leave Greensboro,	3 15 "
Leave Climax,	4 25 "
Arrive Ramseur,	6 10 "

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TRAINS GOING SOUTH.

DATED Sep. 23, 1897.	No 38 Daily.	No. 102, Daily except Sunday.	No 82, Daily.	No 40 Daily.	No 48 Daily
	A. M.	P. M.	M. P. M	A. M.	P. M.
Leave Weldon	11 50	9 43			
Ar Rocky Mt.	12 52	10 35			
Leave Tarboro	12 12		6 31		
Lv Rocky Mt,	12 52	10 35	7 35	5 45	12 49
Leave Wilson	2 06	11 16	7 17	6 22	2 12
Leave Selma	3 00	.....			
Lv Fayetteville	4 47	1 14			
Ar Florence	7 35	3 25			
	P. M.	A. M.			
Ar Goldsboro	.....	.....	8 00	.....	.....
Lv Goldsboro	.....	.....		7 01	3 10
Lv Magnolia	.....	.....		8 05	4 16
Ar Wilmington	.....	.....		9 30	5 45
				P. M.	A. M.

TRAINS GOING NORTH.

	No 78 Daily	No. 103, Daily except Sunday.	No 39, Daily.	No 49 Daily.	No 85 Daily
	A. M.		P. M.		
Lv Florence	8 45		5 15		
Lv Fayetteville	12 22		10 35		
Leave Selma	1 00				
Arrive Wilson	1 42		12 10		
	P. M.	A. M.		P. M.	A. M.
Lv Wilmington				7 15	9 35
Lv Magnolia				8 55	10 59
Lv Goldsboro		5 00		10 10	11 56
	P. M.		A. M.	P. M.	A. M.
Leave Wilson	1 42	5 41	12 15	11 26	12 43
Ar Rocky Mt.	2 33	6 17	12 53	11 57	1 20
Ar Tarboro		6 45			
Leave Tarboro	12 12				
Lv Rocky Mt.	2 33		12 53		
Arrive Weldon	3 39		1 44		
	P. M.		A. M.	P. M.	

†Daily except Monday. ‡Daily except Sunday.

Train on the Scotland Neck Branch leaves Weldon 4:10 P M, Halifax 4:28 P M, arrives Scotland Neck at 5:20 P M, Greenville 6:57 P M., Kinston 7:55 P M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7:50 A M., Greenville 8:52 A M. Arriving Halifax at 11:18 A M, Weldon 11:33 A M, daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8:20 A. M., and 3:30 P. M., arrive Parmele 9:10 A. M., and 5:10 P. M., returning leave Parmele 9:35 A. M. and 6:30 P. M., arrive Washington 11:00 A. M. and 7:20 P. M. Daily.

Train leaves Tarboro, N C, daily except Sunday at 5:30 P M, Sunday, 4:05 P M, arrives Plymouth 7:40 P M, 6:00 P M; Returning leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7:50 A M, and Sundays 9:00 A M, arrives Tarboro 10:05 A M., 11:00 A M.

Train on Midland N C Branch leaves Goldsboro daily except Sunday, 7:10 A M, arriving Smithfield 8:30 A M. Returning, leaves Smithfield 9:00 A. M; arrive Goldsboro 10:25 A M.

Trains on Nashville Branch leave Rocky Mount at